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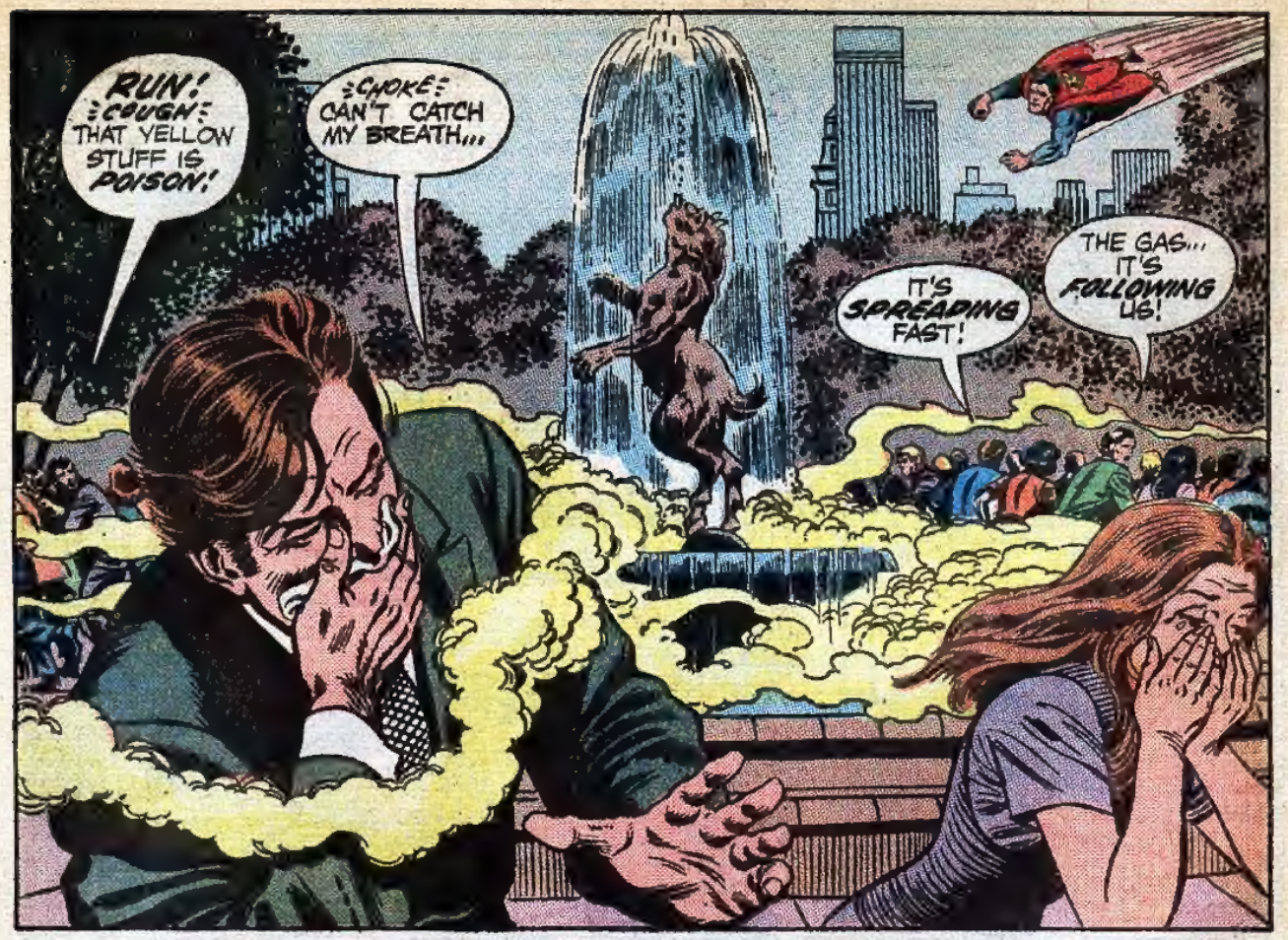
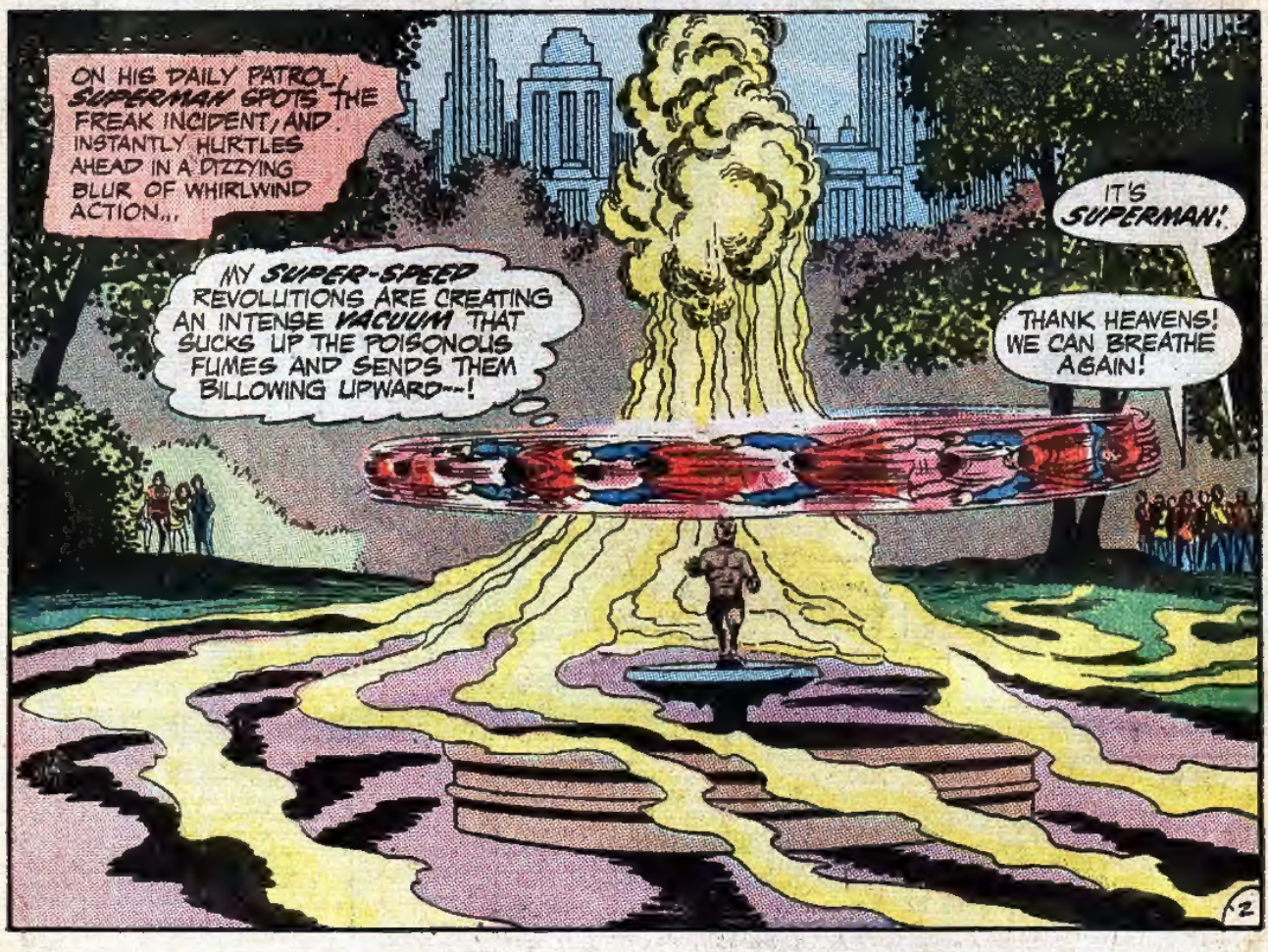

RUN! :COUGH: THAT YELLOW STUFF IS POISON!
:CHOKE: CAN'T CATCH MY BREATH...
IT'S SPREADING FAST!
THE GAS... IT'S FOLLOWING US!


ON HIS DAILY PATROL, SUPERMAN SPOTS THE FREAK INCIDENT, AND INSTANTLY HURTLES AHEAD IN A DIZZYING BLUR OF WHIRLWIND ACTION...
MY SUPER-SPEED REVOLUTIONS ARE CREATING AN INTENSE VACUUM THAT SUCKS UP THE POISONOUS FUMES AND SENDS THEM BILLOWING UPWARD--!
IT'S SUPERMAN!
THANK HEAVENS! WE CAN BREATHE AGAIN!
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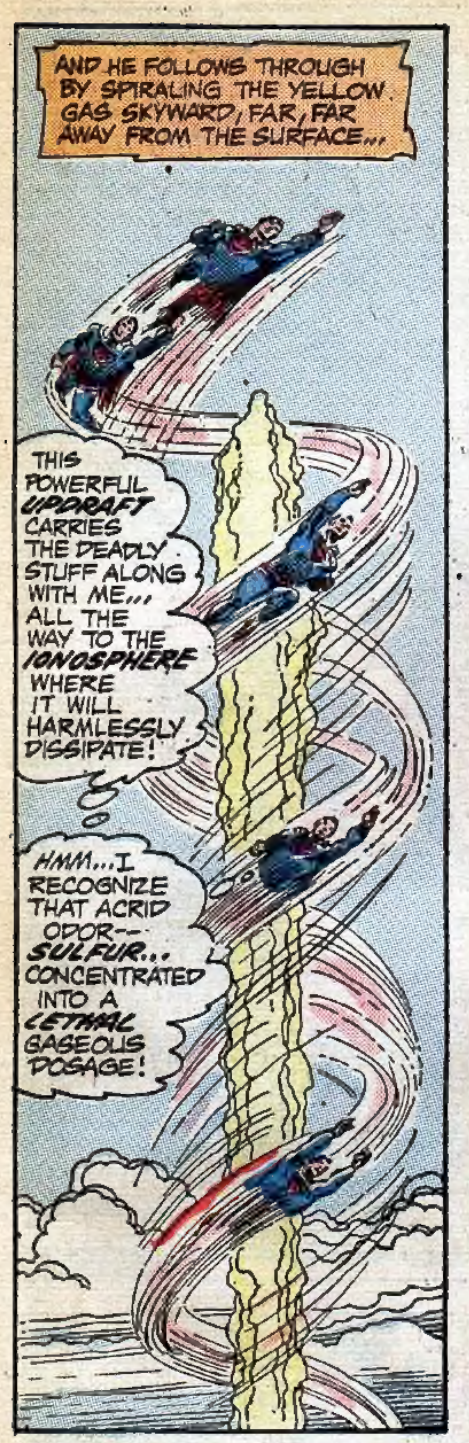

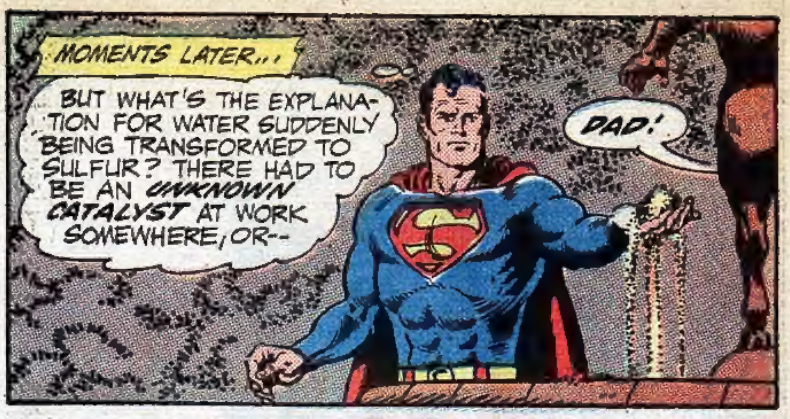

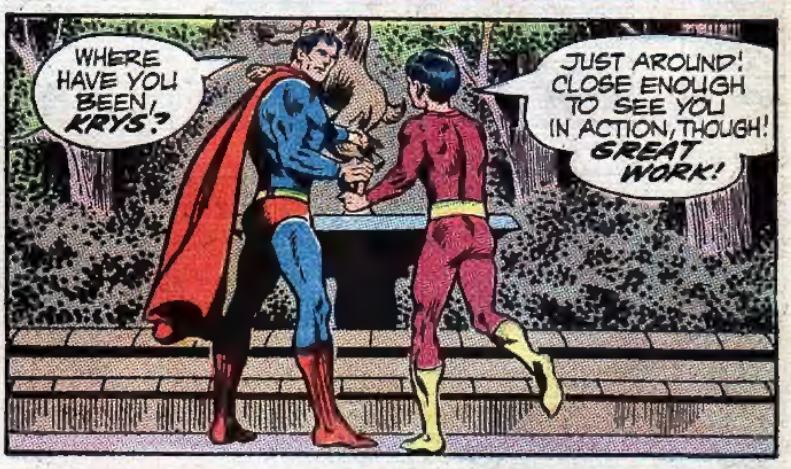

IF YOU'VE EVER WONDERED WHAT **MIGHT** HAPPEN IF **SUPERMAN** WERE TO ONE DAY **MARRY** AND RAISE A **SON**--WONDER NO MORE! THIS SPINE-TINGLING **IMAGINARY STORY** SET IN THE NEAR FUTURE WILL SATISFY YOUR CURIOSITY AND REEL YOUR SENSES INTO A LIVING NIGHTMARE AS YOU MEET...

THE SATANIC SON of SUPERMAN

ART: CURT SWAN and MURPHY ANDERSON - STORY: CARY BATES

WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO FOR DINNER?
HOW ABOUT THE LUNAR ULTRA-DINER? THE MOON HAS TERRIFIC FOOD!
DEATH TO SUPERMAN'S SON!
MY. ARCH-FOES--THE TROLVS!
HE AND HIS FATHER MUST BE KILLED!
EXTERMINATE THE CHILD!
CAN'T LET THEM TOUCH KRYS--!
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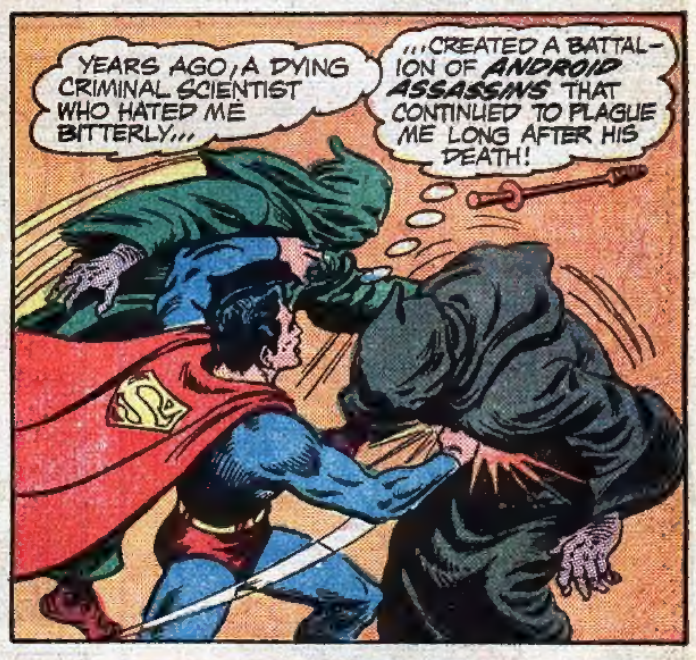
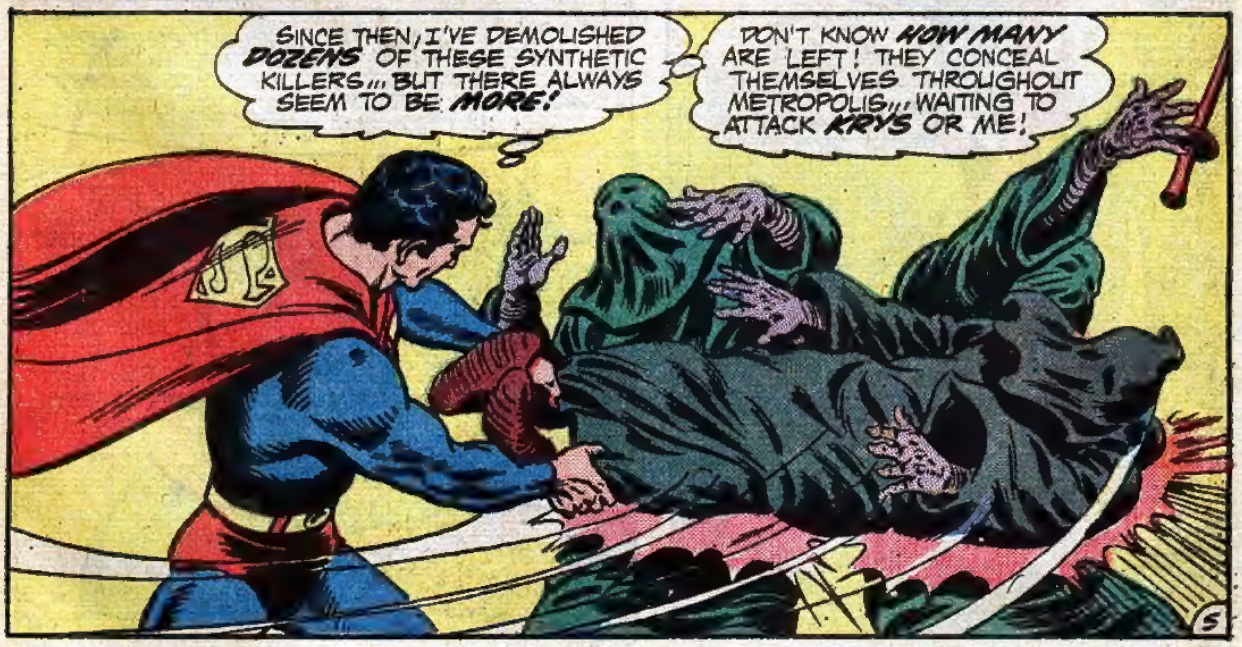
AND RIGHT NOW, THE SAFEST PLACE FOR HIM IS UP, UP AND FAR AWAY!

ANNIHILATE SUPERMAN!
THE TROLVS NEVER GIVE UP... AND NEVER WILL... BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN PERMANENTLY PROGRAMMED TO DESTOY ME!


YEARS AGO, A DYING CRIMINAL SCIENTIST WHO HATED ME BITTERLY...
...CREATED A BATTALION OF ANDROID ASSASSINS THAT CONTINUED TO PLAGUE ME LONG AFTER HIS DEATH!


SINCE THEN, I'VE DEMOLISHED DOZENS OF THESE SYNTHETIC KILLERS... BUT THERE ALWAYS SEEM TO BE MORE!
DON'T KNOW HOW MANY ARE LEFT! THEY CONCEAL THEMSELVES THROUGHOUT METROPOLIS... WAITING TO ATTACK KRYS OR ME!
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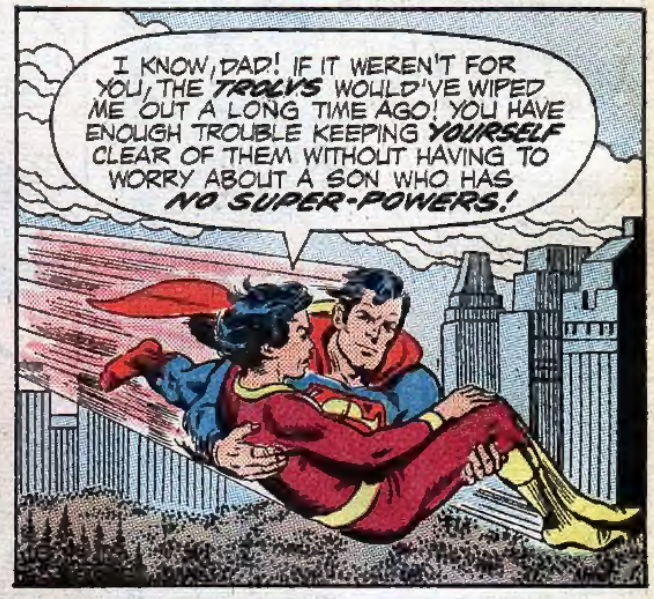
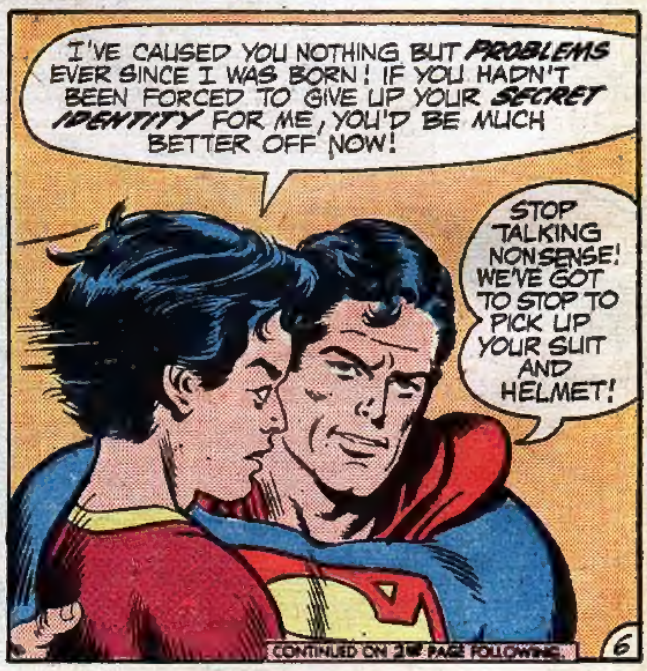
THEIR STRENGTH IS INCREDIBLE! AND THE ENERGY CHARGES FROM THEIR COSMA TORCHES COULD BE FATAL IF I LET THEM GET CLOSE ENOUGH TO STRIKE ME WITH A LARGE DOSAGE!

AT LEAST THESE TROLVS ARE OUT OF MY LIFE! AN INTENSE BLAST OF HEAT-VISION WILL INCINERATE THEM AND THEIR TORCHES!

AND EXACTLY 9.5 SECONDS AFTER FLINGING HIS SON INTO THE SKY...
ABOUT TIME! I WAS BEGINNING TO WONDER IF YOU'D FORGOTTEN ME!
YOU WEREN'T, KRYS! I CALCULATED PRECISELY HOW MANY SECONDS IT WOULD TAKE YOU TO FALL BACK TO EARTH! IT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE YOUR LIFE!


I KNOW, DAD! IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU, THE TROLVS WOULD'VE WIPED ME OUT A LONG TIME AGO! YOU HAVE ENOUGH TROUBLE KEEPING YOURSELF CLEAR OF THEM WITHOUT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT A SON WHO HAS NO SUPER-POWERS!


I'VE CAUSED YOU NOTHING BUT PROBLEMS EVER SINCE I WAS BORN! IF YOU HADN'T BEEN FORCED TO GIVE UP YOUR SECRET IDENTITY FOR ME, YOU'D BE MUCH BETTER OFF NOW!
STOP TALKING NONSENSE! WE'VE GOT TO STOP TO PICK UP YOUR SUIT AND HELMET!
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Aurora rolls out a half dozen new A/FX heavies.

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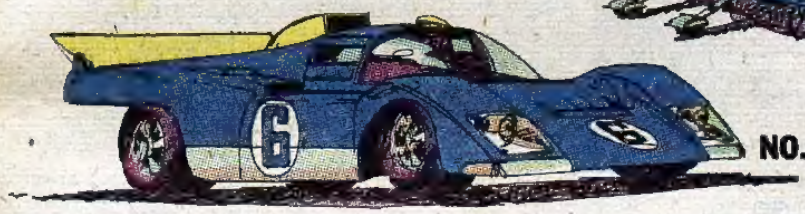

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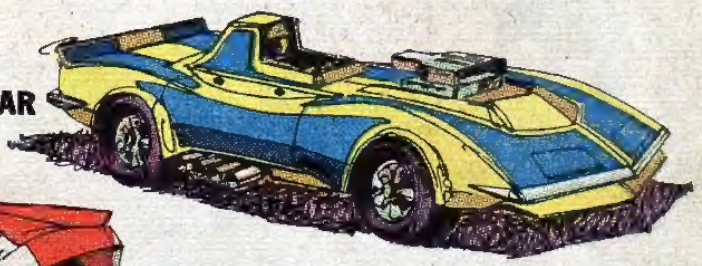

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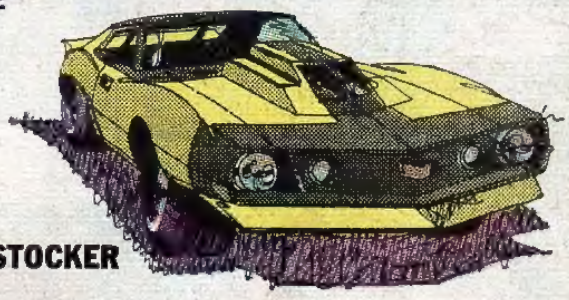

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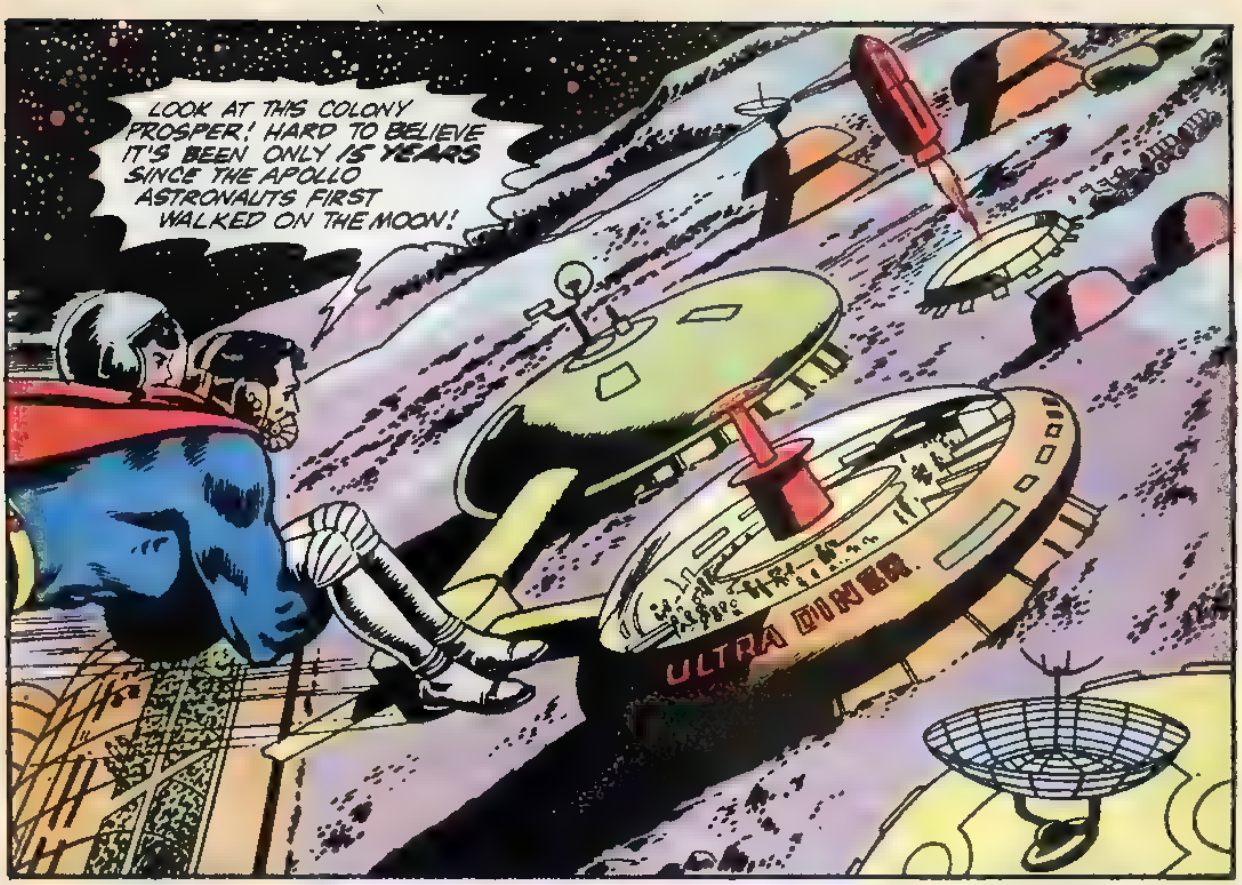
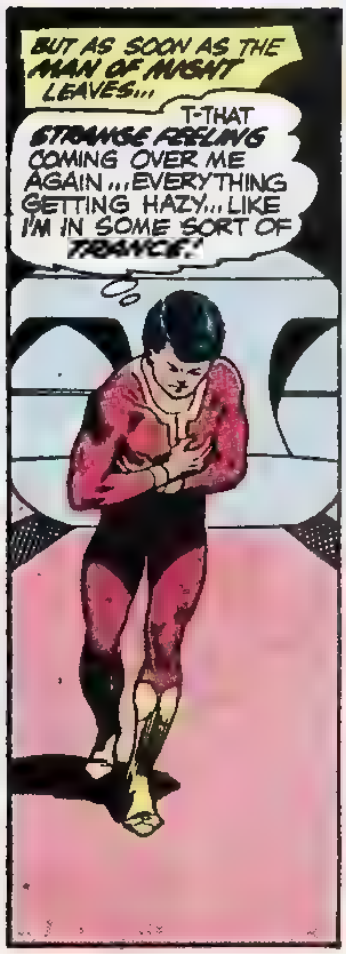
BUT YOU, SUPERMAN, YOU CAN'T HELP THINKING BACK TO THAT VERY TRAGIC DAY OVER A DECADE AGO...
...WHEN THE DOCTORS GAVE YOU THE TERRIBLE NEWS...
I'M SORRY, SUPERMAN! YOUR WIFE DIDN'T--
I KNOW... SHE DIED IN CHILDBIRTH!
WE TRIED EVERY-THING POSSIBLE TO SAVE HER!
AS YOU FOUGHT TO HOLD BACK THE TEARS FOR LATER, WHEN YOU COULD BE ALONE WITH YOUR GRIEF...
BUT YOUR NEWBORN SON IS ALIVE AND HEALTHY!
=CHOKE= WITH HIS MOTHER GONE, I'M ALL HE HAS NOW!
SO RIGHT THEN AND THERE YOU MADE A SOLEMN RESOLUTION...
YOU STUNNED THE ENTIRE WORLD WITH THAT STARTLING, SHOCKING REVELATION...
AND HE'S ALL I HAVE! I'LL DEVOTE MYSELF TO RAISING HIM PROPERLY! BUT BEING A FATHER IS A FULL-TIME JOB...
I CAN'T GO ON LIVING TWO DIFFERENT LIVES ANYMORE! IT WOULDN'T BE FAIR TO HIM! I MUST ABANDON MY CLARK KENT IDENTITY!
...THEREFORE, IT'S NO LONGER PRACTICAL FOR ME TO POSE AS CLARK KENT AND MAINTAIN A DOUBLE IDENTITY!
I AM SUPERMAN!
NEWS
SLOW UP, DAD! THE MOON IS DEAD AHEAD!
OH! SORRY, KRYS! I WAS... DAYDREAMING!


LOOK AT THIS COLONY PROSPER! HARD TO BELIEVE IT'S BEEN ONLY 15 YEARS SINCE THE APOLLO ASTRONAUTS FIRST WALKED ON THE MOON!
ULTRA DINER

AND INSIDE THE LUNAR COMPLEX...
YOU GO ON AHEAD TO THE DINING AREA! MEET YOU AFTER I GET WASHED UP IN THE ZOOOO-CLEANSING CUBICLE!
ALL RIGHT! I'LL ORDER YOUR FAVORITE DISH!


BUT AS SOON AS THE MAN OF MIGHT LEAVES...
T-THAT STRANGE FEELING COMING OVER ME AGAIN...EVERYTHING GETTING HAZY...LIKE I'M IN SOME SORT OF TRANCE!

A MOMENT LATER ON THAT AIRLESS, CRATERED SURFACE...
I FEEL LIKE... HAVING SOME MORE FUN!

THE NEXT INSTANT--DEVASTATING, RAMPANT DESTRUCTION...
GREAT STARS! WHAT'S HAPPENING OUT THERE?
IT'S A METEOR SHOWER--IN REVERSE!
HUGE CHUNKS OF ROCK BURSTING UP OUT OF THE SURFACE!
AS A YOUTHFUL SATANIC FACE GLOATS SILENTLY AND WATCHES WITH SADISTIC PLEASURE THE EFFECTS OF HIS POWER...
THOSE METEORS WRECK EVERYTHING THEY HIT! WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?
LET ME OUT OF HERE! WE'RE ALL GOING TO BE KILLED!
AIEEEEE! I WANT TO GO BACK TO EARTH!
THESE PEOPLE ARE PANICKING... AND FOR GOOD REASON! A FEW MORE MINUTES OF THIS AND THIS COLONY WILL BE TOTALLY DEMOLISHED!
EVERYONE--KEEP BACK!
GRRRAASSSSHHH
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H-H-HELP US, SUPERMAN...
THE MOON HAS HARDLY ANY ATMOSPHERE... AND THE TEMPERATURE OUTSIDE IS 200° BELOW ZERO! IF I DON'T PLUG UP THIS HOLE FAST, EVERYONE HERE WILL BE QUICK-FROZEN!
FIRST, I MELT THE SURROUNDING REINFORCED PLASTIC WITH HEAT-VISION!
NOW I CAN PULL THE MOLTEN PLASTIC AS EASILY AS TAFFY... AND STRETCH IT ENOUGH TO MEND THE HOLE WITHIN A FEW SECONDS!
THE PLASTIC WILL FREEZE SOLID OUT HERE IN NO TIME!
THOSE METEORS MUST BE STOPPED... BUT THEY'RE STILL BURSTING OUT OF THE SURFACE FASTER THAN EVER!
WHO'S THAT I SEE UP AHEAD--?
WHO WOULD BE FOOLISH ENOUGH TO BE ROAMING AROUND OUTSIDE DURING THIS HOLOCAUST?
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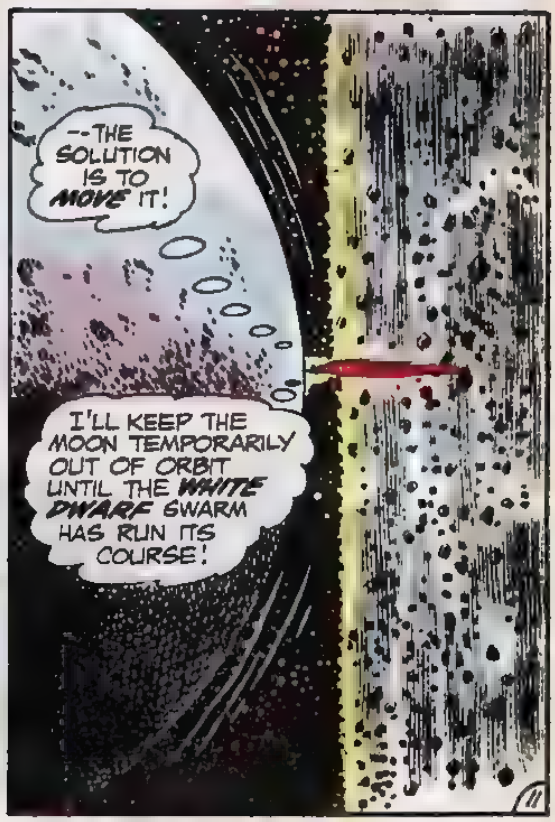
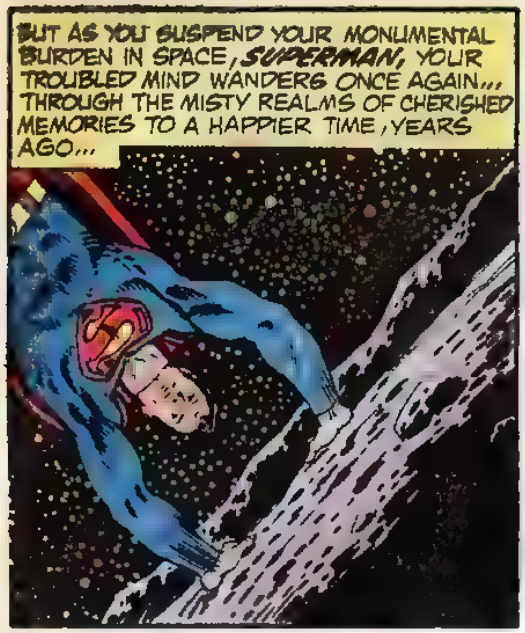
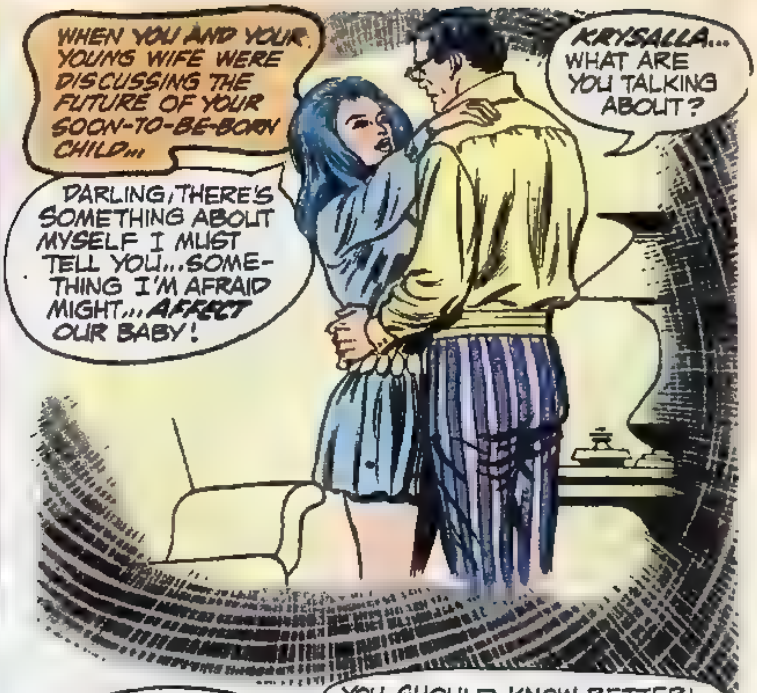
AND X-RAY VISION PROVIDES THE STARTLING, NERVE-SHATTERING ANSWER...
OMIGOD! IT'S KRYS! BUT WHAT'S HAPPENED TO HIM? HIS FACE IS DISTORTED... TO LOOK... WICKED!
I SUDDENLY HAVE A FRIGHTENING, GRUESOME HUNCH ABOUT MY SON! BUT THE METEORS ARE MORE URGENT RIGHT NOW!

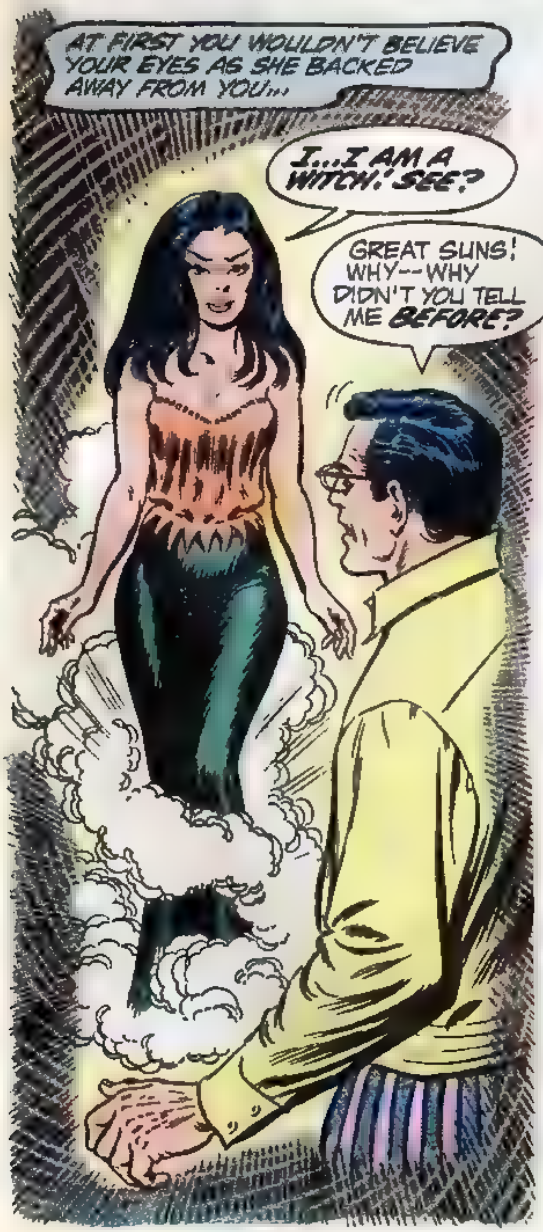
ZOOMING AROUND TO THE FAR SIDE OF THE MOON, SUPERMAN CONCENTRATES ON THE PROBLEM AT HAND...
AS SOON AS I RECOGNIZED THOSE METEORS AS WHITE DWARF FRAGMENTS, I FIGURED THEY WERE COMING FROM UNDERNEATH THE MOON--AND PASSING ALL THE WAY UP THROUGH IT!
EDITOR'S NOTE: A WHITE DWARF STAR IS A SUN CONSISTING OF THE DENSEST MASS AND HEAVIEST WEIGHT EVER KNOWN IN THE UNIVERSE!

DWARF ROCKS ARE SO DENSE, NOT EVEN I COULD STOP THEIR FANTASTIC MOMENTUM... NOR CAN OVER 2,000 MILES OF SOLID MOONROCK!
SO WHEN AN IRRESISTIBLE FORCE MEETS A MOVABLE OBJECT--

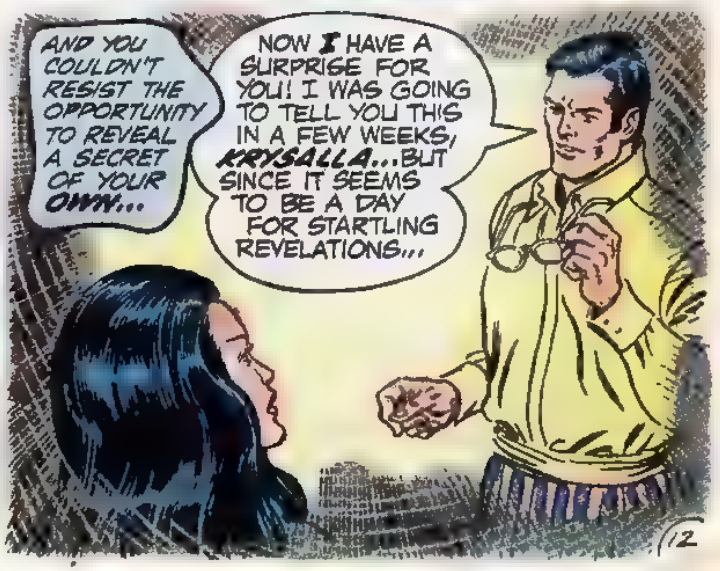

--THE SOLUTION IS TO MOVE IT!
I'LL KEEP THE MOON TEMPORARILY OUT OF ORBIT UNTIL THE WHITE DWARF SWARM HAS RUN ITS COURSE!

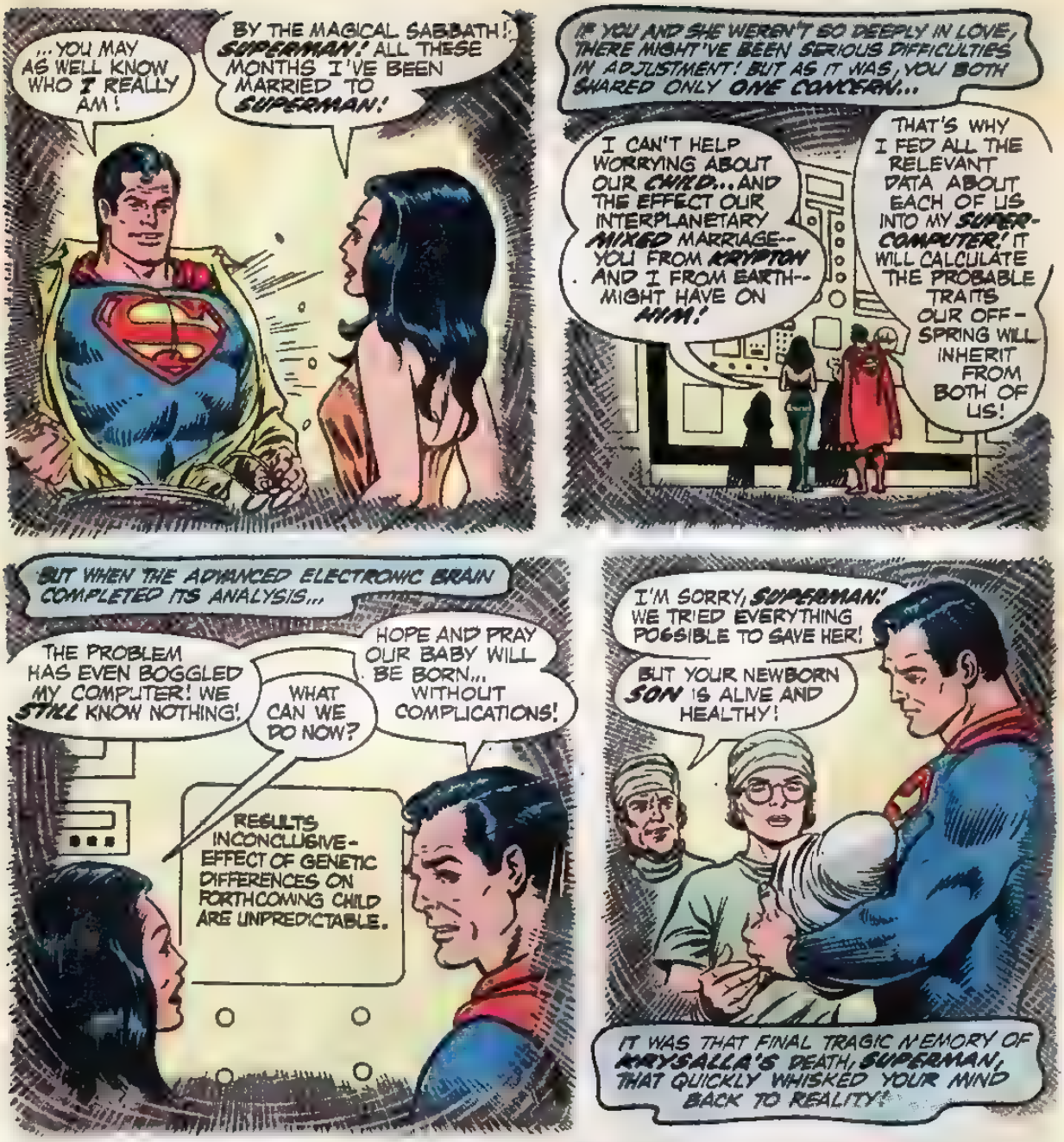

BUT AS YOU SUSPEND YOUR MONUMENTAL BURDEN IN SPACE, SUPERMAN, YOUR TROUBLED MIND WANDERS ONCE AGAIN... THROUGH THE MISTY REALMS OF CHERISHED MEMORIES TO A HAPPIER TIME, YEARS AGO...


WHEN YOU AND YOUR YOUNG WIFE WERE DISCUSSING THE FUTURE OF YOUR SOON-TO-BE-BORN CHILD...
DARLING, THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MYSELF I MUST TELL YOU...SOMETHING I'M AFRAID MIGHT... AFFECT OUR BABY!
KRYSALLA... WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?


AT FIRST YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE YOUR EYES AS SHE BACKED AWAY FROM YOU...
I...I AM A WITCH! SEE?
GREAT SUNS! WHY--WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME BEFORE?

OH, CLARK! I WAS AFRAID YOU MIGHT CHANGE YOUR MIND AND NOT MARRY ME IF YOU KNEW WHAT I REALLY AM!
YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER! YOU'RE STILL THE GIRL I FELL IN LOVE WITH...AND NOTHING IN THE UNIVERSE WILL EVER CHANGE THE WAY I FEEL ABOUT YOU!


AND YOU COULDN'T RESIST THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVEAL A SECRET OF YOUR OWN...
NOW I HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU! I WAS GOING TO TELL YOU THIS IN A FEW WEEKS, KRYSALLA...BUT SINCE IT SEEMS TO BE A DAY FOR STARTLING REVELATIONS...


...YOU MAY AS WELL KNOW WHO I REALLY AM!
BY THE MAGICAL SABBATH! SUPERMAN! ALL THESE MONTHS I'VE BEEN MARRIED TO SUPERMAN!
IF YOU AND SHE WEREN'T SO DEEPLY IN LOVE, THERE MIGHT'VE BEEN SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES IN ADJUSTMENT! BUT AS IT WAS, YOU BOTH SHARED ONLY ONE CONCERN...
I CAN'T HELP WORRYING ABOUT OUR CHILD... AND THE EFFECT OUR INTERPLANETARY MIXED MARRIAGE-- YOU FROM KRYPTON AND I FROM EARTH-- MIGHT HAVE ON HIM!
THAT'S WHY I FED ALL THE RELEVANT DATA ABOUT EACH OF US INTO MY SUPER-COMPUTER! IT WILL CALCULATE THE PROBABLE TRAITS OUR OFF-SPRING WILL INHERIT FROM BOTH OF US!
BUT WHEN THE ADVANCED ELECTRONIC BRAIN COMPLETED ITS ANALYSIS...
THE PROBLEM HAS EVEN BOGGLED MY COMPUTER! WE STILL KNOW NOTHING!
WHAT CAN WE DO NOW?
HOPE AND PRAY OUR BABY WILL BE BORN... WITHOUT COMPLICATIONS!
RESULTS INCONCLUSIVE- EFFECT OF GENETIC DIFFERENCES ON FORTHCOMING CHILD ARE UNPREDICTABLE.
I'M SORRY, SUPERMAN! WE TRIED EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SAVE HER!
BUT YOUR NEWBORN SON IS ALIVE AND HEALTHY!
IT WAS THAT FINAL TRAGIC MEMORY OF KRYSALLA'S DEATH, SUPERMAN, THAT QUICKLY WHISKED YOUR MIND BACK TO REALITY!
AND AFTER RETURNING THE MOON TO ITS PROPER ORBIT, THE WHITE DWARF MENACE NO LONGER A THREAT...
WHAT'S THE MATTER, DAD? YOU HARDLY SAID A WORD ALL THROUGH DINNER!
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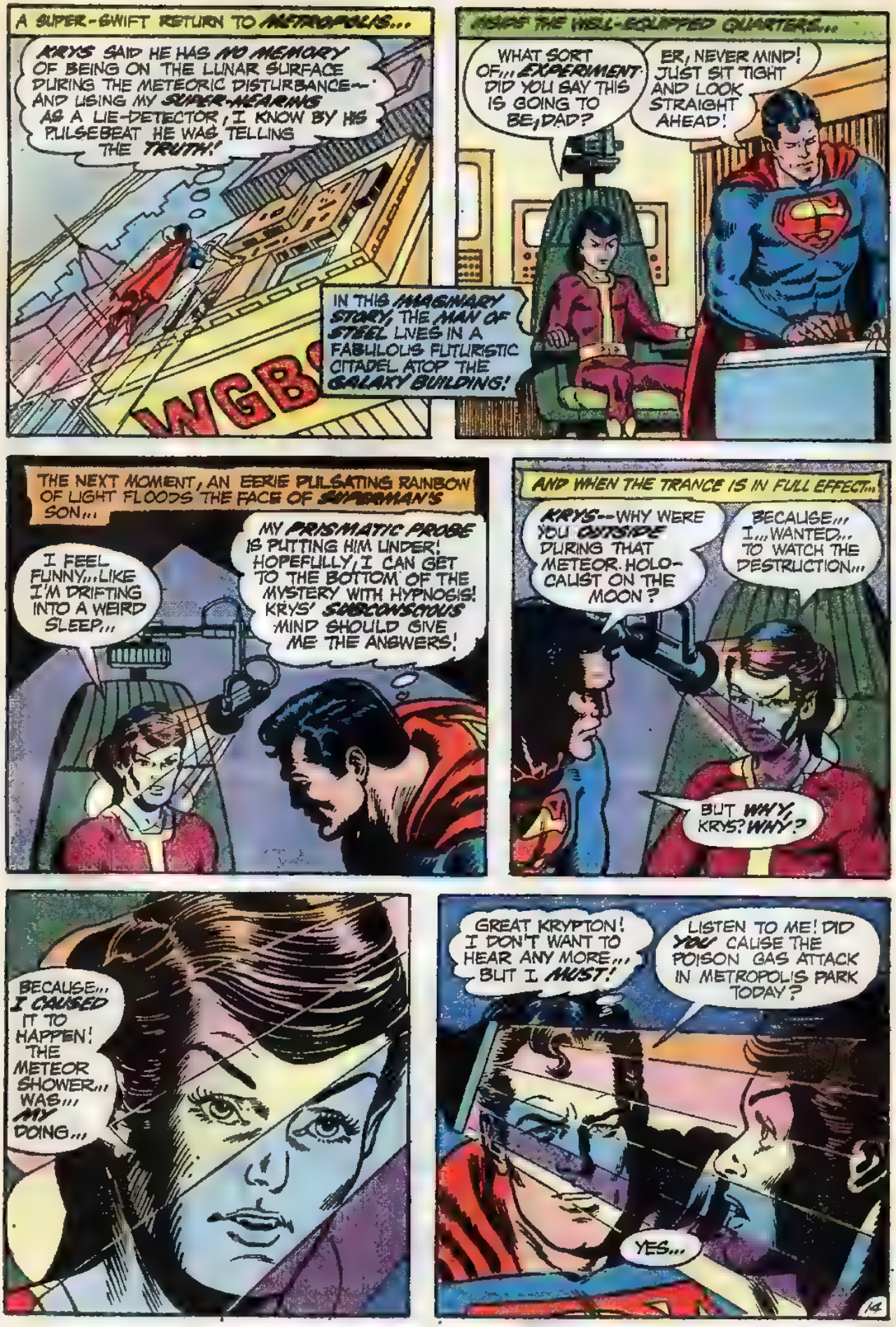
A SUPER-SWIFT RETURN TO METROPOLIS...
KRYS SAID HE HAS NO MEMORY OF BEING ON THE LUNAR SURFACE DURING THE METEORIC DISTURBANCE--AND USING MY SUPER-HEARING AS A LIE-DETECTOR, I KNOW BY HIS PULSEBEAT HE WAS TELLING THE TRUTH!
IN THIS IMAGINARY STORY, THE MAN OF STEEL LIVES IN A FABULOUS FUTURISTIC CITADEL ATOP THE GALAXY BUILDING!
...INSIDE THE WELL-EQUIPPED QUARTERS...
WHAT SORT OF... EXPERIMENT DID YOU SAY THIS IS GOING TO BE, DAD?
ER, NEVER MIND! JUST SIT TIGHT AND LOOK STRAIGHT AHEAD!
THE NEXT MOMENT, AN EERIE PULSATING RAINBOW OF LIGHT FLOODS THE FACE OF SUPERMAN'S SON...
I FEEL FUNNY... LIKE I'M DRIFTING INTO A WEIRD SLEEP...
MY PRISMATIC PROBE IS PUTTING HIM UNDER! HOPEFULLY, I CAN GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THE MYSTERY WITH HYPNOSIS! KRYS' SUBCONSCIOUS MIND SHOULD GIVE ME THE ANSWERS!
AND WHEN THE TRANCE IS IN FULL EFFECT...
KRYS--WHY WERE YOU OUTSIDE DURING THAT METEOR HOLOCAUST ON THE MOON?
BECAUSE... I... WANTED... TO WATCH THE DESTRUCTION...
BUT WHY, KRYS? WHY?
BECAUSE... I CAUSED IT TO HAPPEN! THE METEOR SHOWER... WAS... MY DOING...
GREAT KRYPTON! I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANY MORE... BUT I MUST!
LISTEN TO ME! DID YOU CAUSE THE POISON GAS ATTACK IN METROPOLIS PARK TODAY?
YES...

STUNNED BEYOND BELIEF, THE ANGUISHED MAN OF MIGHT LISTENS TO A NIGHTMARISH TALLY OF TRAGEDY. THAT SPANS THE 10 YEARS OF KRYS'S LIFE...
...THE HOOVER DAM DISASTER OF 1983...THE WRECK OF THE FIRST U.S. MARS FLIGHT, 1981...
THEN I TRIGGERED THE SECOND GREAT SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE IN 1982...
ALSO THE TERRIBLE BRAZILIAN PLAGUE THE SAME YEAR... AND BEFORE THAT...
KRYSALLA AND I...
WE SPAWNED A DEMON!
HER MAGICAL, BEWITCHED BLOOD...COMBINED WITH MY SUPER-KRYPTONIAN BLOOD... SOMEHOW ENDOWED HIM WITH THIS FREAKISH DESTRUCTIVE POWER!
TORN BY AGONY, SUPERMAN SORROWFULLY SHUTS OFF THE PROBE...
HE'S ALREADY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MASS MURDER OF THOUSANDS...AND NOW I'M CONVINCED IT WAS HIS INFERNAL POWER THAT KILLED KRYSALLA WHEN SHE GAVE BIRTH!
I CAN'T ALLOW HIM TO BRING ABOUT ANY MORE DEATH AND DESTRUCTION!
I KNOW WHAT MUST BE DONE!
AS KRYS COMES OUT OF THE TRANCE, DAZED AND CONFUSED...
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, DAD? WHY ARE YOU POINTING THAT AT ME? THIS SOME SORT OF JOKE?
ON THE VERGE OF TEARS, THE MIGHTIEST MAN ON EARTH FACES THE MOST TORMENTING, DIFFICULT TASK OF HIS LIFE...
:CHOKE: HE STILL HAS NO INKLING OF THE EVIL WITHIN HIM... HOW CAN I DO THIS... TO MY OWN SON?!
BUT FOR THE SAFETY OF MANKIND... I HAVE NO CHOICE!
MAY GOD FORGIVE ME--!
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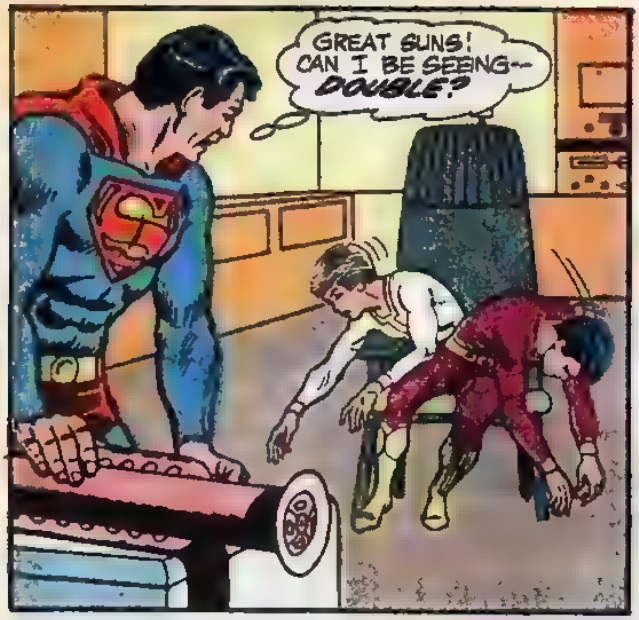
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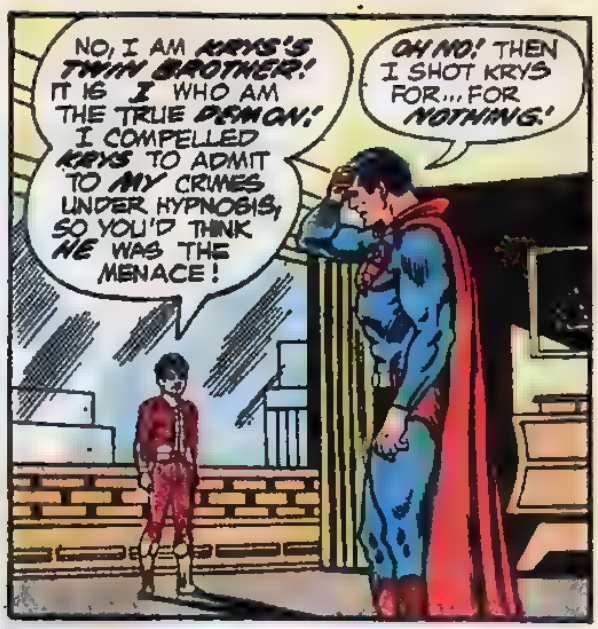
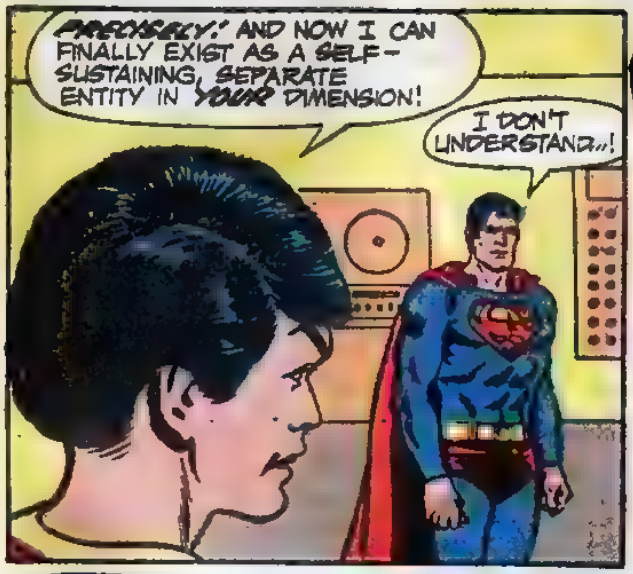
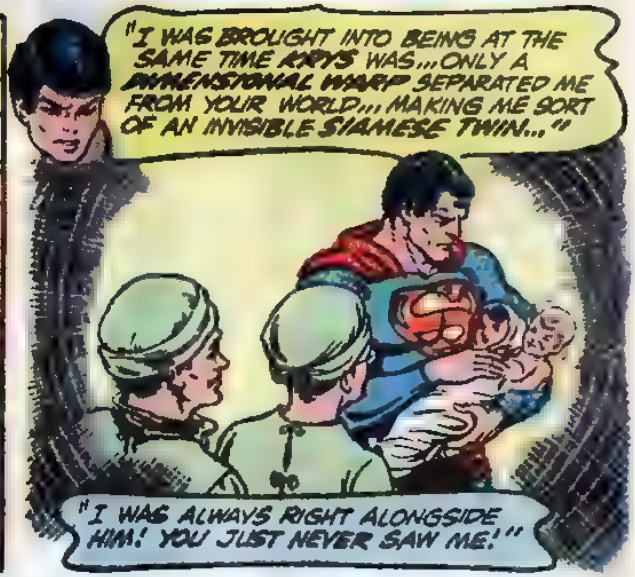
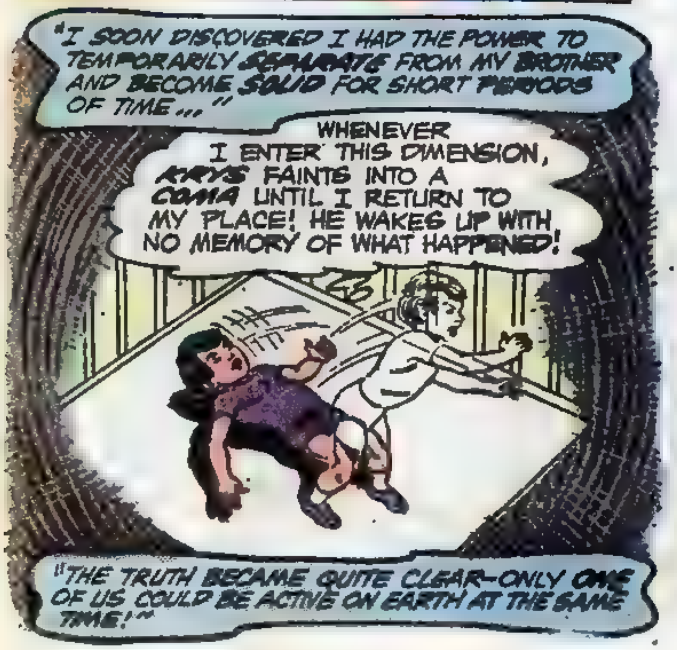

NO, I AM KRYS'S TWIN BROTHER! IT IS I WHO AM THE TRUE DEMON! I COMPELLED KRYS TO ADMIT TO MY CRIMES UNDER HYPNOSIS, SO YOU'D THINK HE WAS THE MENACE!
OH NO! THEN I SHOT KRYS FOR... FOR NOTHING!


PRECISELY! AND NOW I CAN FINALLY EXIST AS A SELF-SUSTAINING, SEPARATE ENTITY IN YOUR DIMENSION!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND...!


"I WAS BROUGHT INTO BEING AT THE SAME TIME KRYS WAS... ONLY A DIMENSIONAL WARP SEPARATED ME FROM YOUR WORLD... MAKING ME SORT OF AN INVISIBLE SIAMESE TWIN..."
"I WAS ALWAYS RIGHT ALONGSIDE HIM! YOU JUST NEVER SAW ME!"


"I SOON DISCOVERED I HAD THE POWER TO TEMPORARILY SEPARATE FROM MY BROTHER AND BECOME SOLID FOR SHORT PERIODS OF TIME..."
WHENEVER I ENTER THIS DIMENSION, KRYS FAINTS INTO A COMA UNTIL I RETURN TO MY PLACE! HE WAKES UP WITH NO MEMORY OF WHAT HAPPENED!
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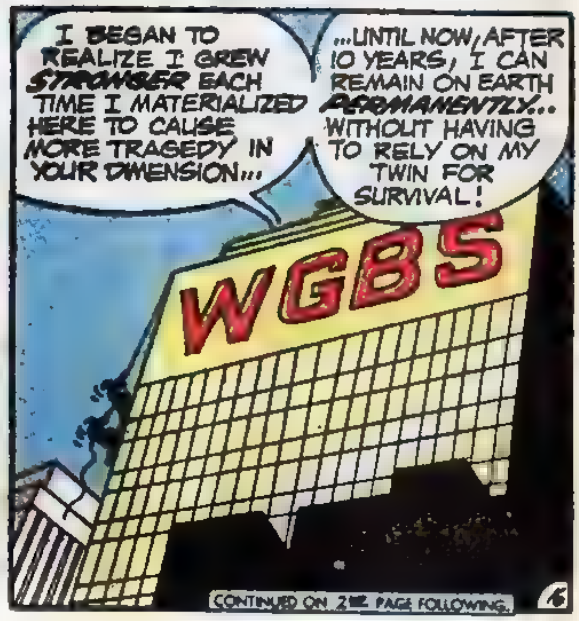
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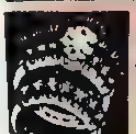

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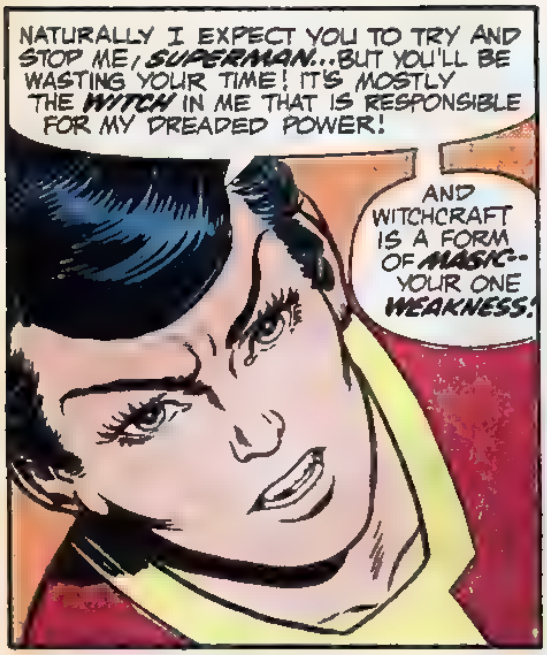
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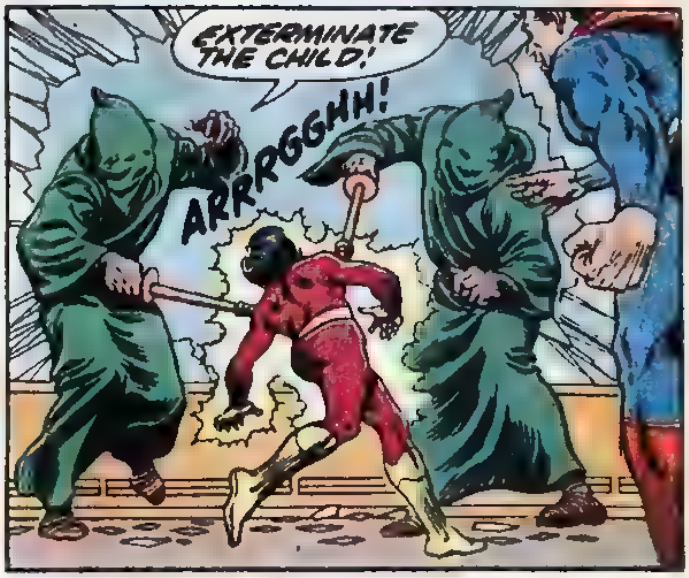
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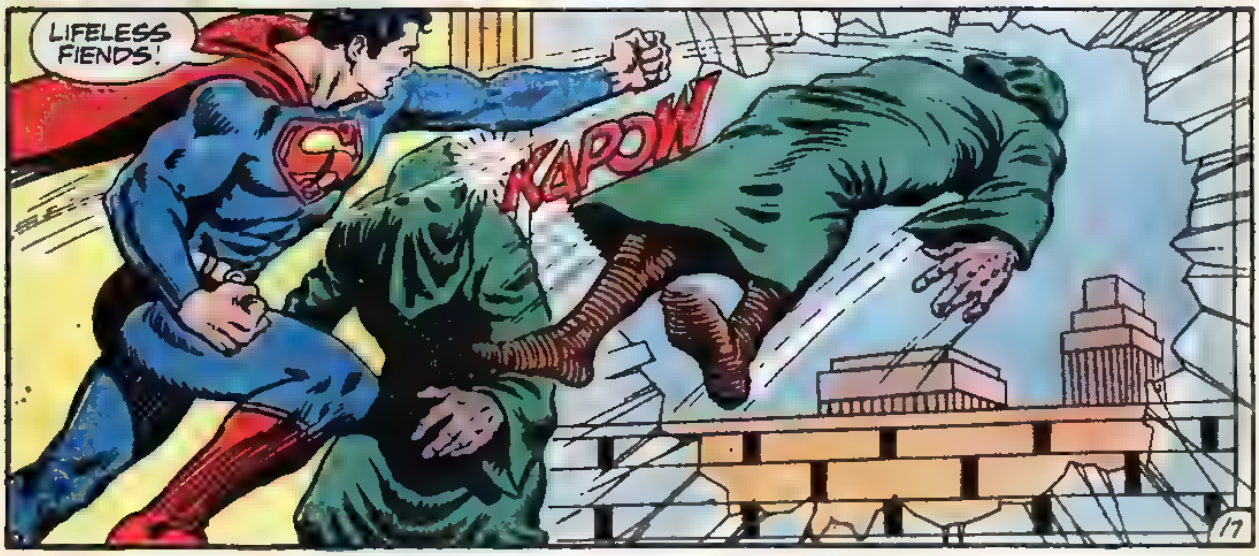
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YOU TWO BELONG TOGETHER! I'LL BE DOWN LATER TO SCRAPE YOU METAL JUNKHEAPS OFF THE SIDEWALK!
NOW THAT THE DEMON IS DYING... HE NO LONGER HAS THE STRENGTH TO REMAIN ON EARTH! HE'S FADING BACK TO HIS OWN DIMENSION WHERE HE'LL PERISH! HE WASN'T MY SON! THAT WAS A MONSTER!
BUT WHAT ABOUT KRYS?
MUST BE CAREFUL AS I ADMINISTER MY HEAT-VISION... GRADUALLY AND EVENLY... SO HE DOESN'T THAW OUT TOO QUICKLY!
AND A MOMENT LATER...
H-HOW CAN I BE HERE? THAT GUN--I THOUGHT YOU KILLED ME!!
I COULD NEVER HARM MY OWN SON! THIS WAS JUST A CRYO-RIFLE... DESIGNED TO FREEZE YOU INTO SUSPENDED ANIMATION UNTIL I FOUND A WAY TO DRIVE OUT THE EVIL IN YOU!
AM I OKAY NOW, DAD?
YOU WERE NEVER BETTER IN YOUR WHOLE LIFE, KRYS! SOMEDAY I'LL EXPLAIN IT ALL TO YOU!
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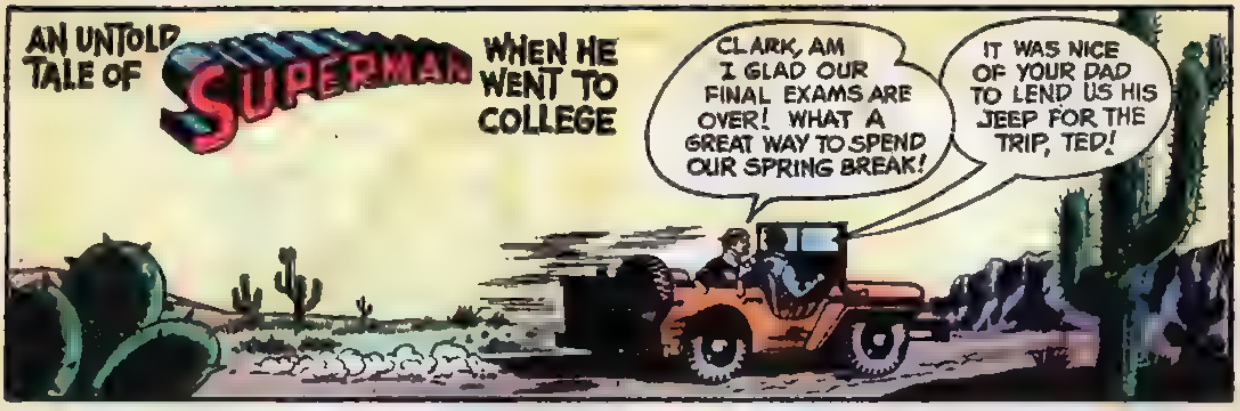

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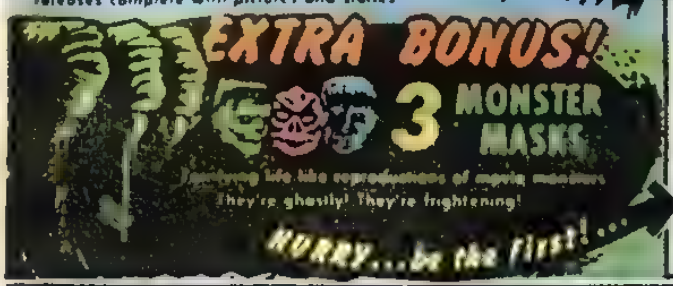

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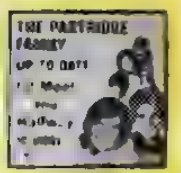

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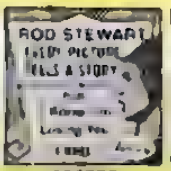

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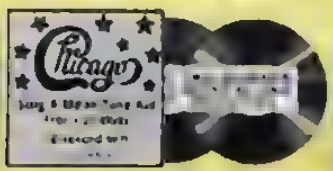

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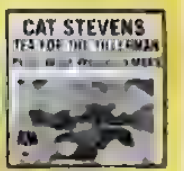

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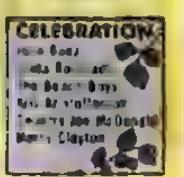

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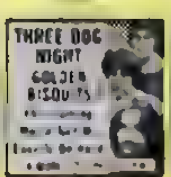

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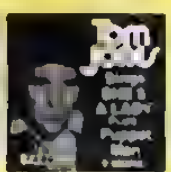

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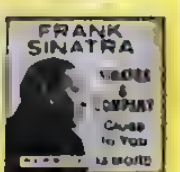

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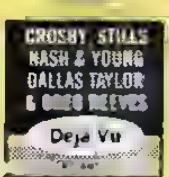

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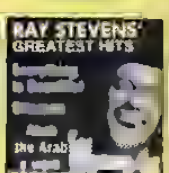

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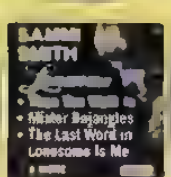

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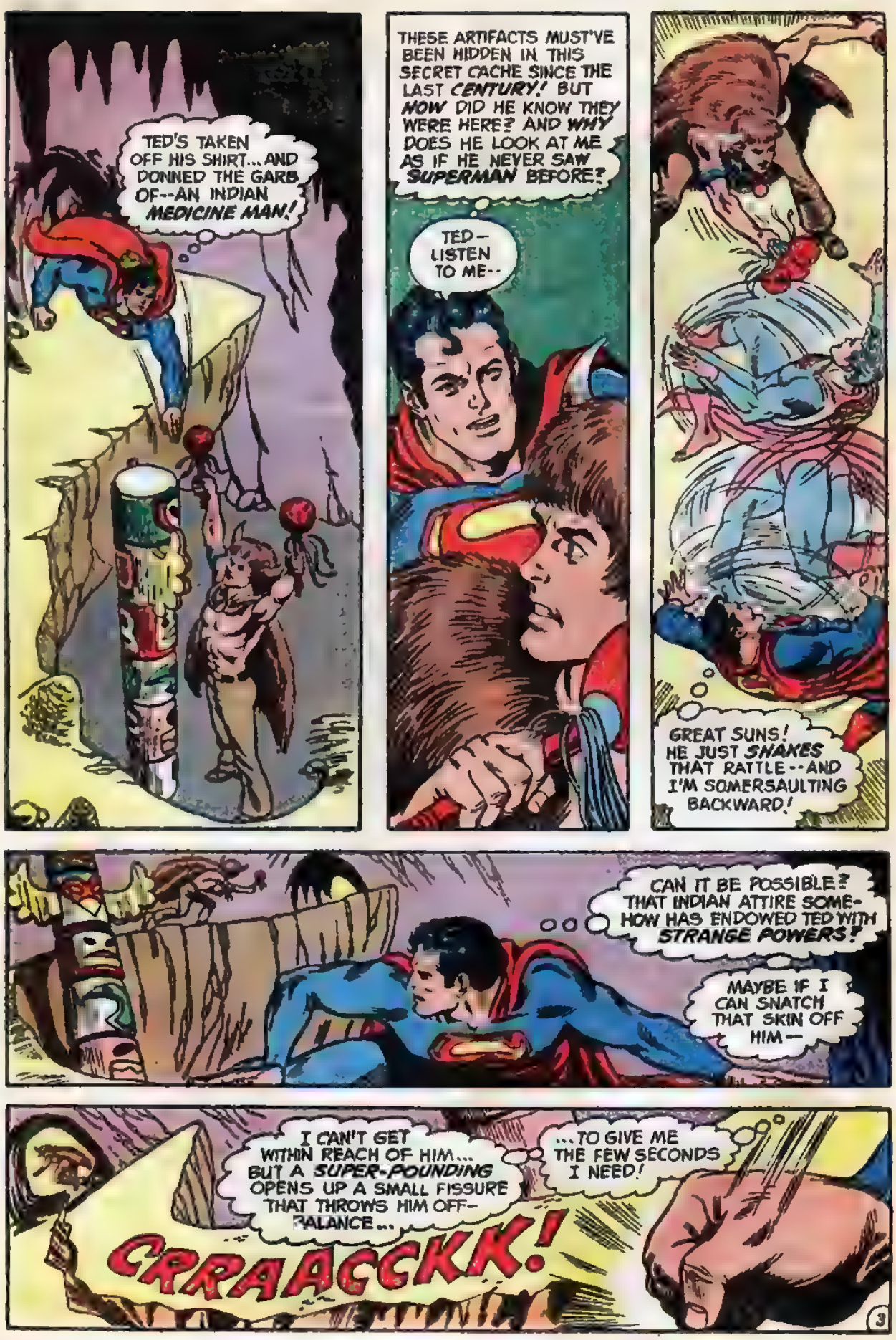
TED'S TAKEN OFF HIS SHIRT... AND DONNED THE GARB OF--AN INDIAN MEDICINE MAN!
THESE ARTIFACTS MUST'VE BEEN HIDDEN IN THIS SECRET CACHE SINCE THE LAST CENTURY! BUT NOW DID HE KNOW THEY WERE HERE? AND WHY DOES HE LOOK AT ME AS IF HE NEVER SAW SUPERMAN BEFORE?
TED— LISTEN TO ME--
GREAT SUNS! HE JUST SHAKES THAT RATTLE--AND I'M SOMERSAULTING BACKWARD!
CAN IT BE POSSIBLE? THAT INDIAN ATTIRE SOMEHOW HAS ENDOWED TED WITH STRANGE POWERS!
MAYBE IF I CAN SNATCH THAT SKIN OFF HIM--
I CAN'T GET WITHIN REACH OF HIM... BUT A SUPER-POUNDING OPENS UP A SMALL FISSURE THAT THROWS HIM OFF-BALANCE...
...TO GIVE ME THE FEW SECONDS I NEED!
CRRAACCKK!
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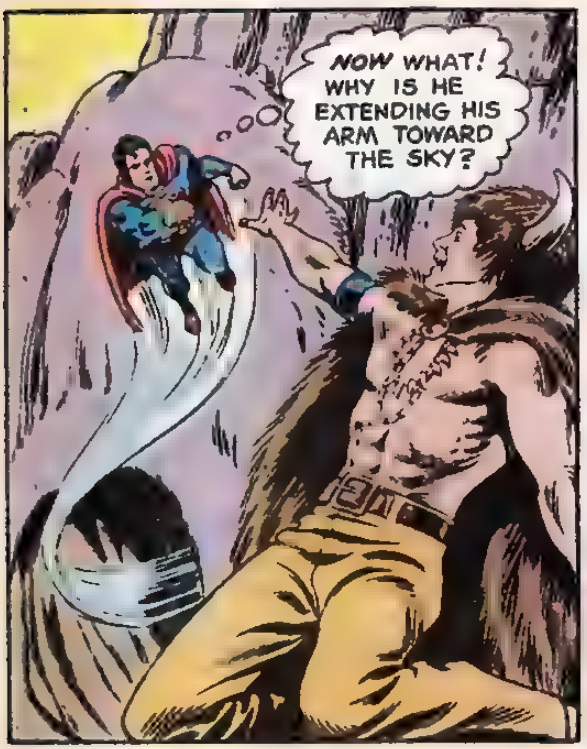
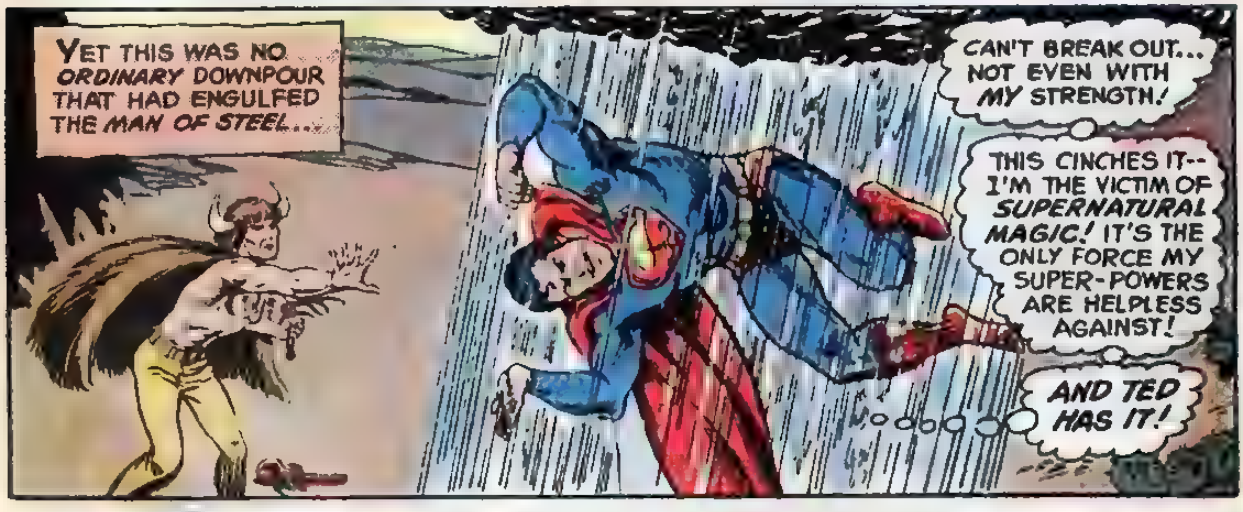

NOW WHAT! WHY IS HE EXTENDING HIS ARM TOWARD THE SKY?

IMPOSSIBLE! I'VE BEEN STOPPED SHORT--BY RAIN?!?


YET THIS WAS NO ORDINARY DOWNPOUR THAT HAD ENGULFED THE MAN OF STEEL...
CAN'T BREAK OUT... NOT EVEN WITH MY STRENGTH!
THIS CINCHES IT-- I'M THE VICTIM OF SUPERNATURAL MAGIC! IT'S THE ONLY FORCE MY SUPER-POWERS ARE HELPLESS AGAINST!
AND TED HAS IT!

THERE HE GOES-- MAGICALLY FLYING INTO THE AIR! IT'S OBVIOUS TED'S NO LONGER HIMSELF! HE'S BEEN POSSESSED BY SOMETHING... OR SOMEONE!
I'M BEGINNING TO TAKE THOSE LEGENDS ABOUT INDIAN SPIRITS SERIOUSLY!

THE ONLY ESCAPE FROM THE IMPENETRABLE CLOUDBURST IS THE GROUND UNDER MY FEET!
I MAY NOT BE ABLE TO COMBAT TED'S MAGIC... BUT AT LEAST I CAN FOLLOW HIM TO MAKE SURE HE COMES TO NO HARM!
AT THAT VERY MOMENT, IN AN ISOLATED TOWN ONLY A FEW MILES AWAY...
WHAT IS IT, DOCTOR? WHY HAVE YOU STOPPED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE OPERATION?
THE BULLET--IT'S SO CLOSE TO THE HEART! IF MY HANDS SLIP EVEN A FRACTION OF AN INCH--I'LL LOSE THE PATIENT!
DOCTOR, THIS MAN IS DONE FOR IF YOU DON'T TRY TO REMOVE THAT BULLET! YOU'RE HIS ONLY HOPE NOW!
I--I NEVER PERFORMED AN OPERATION SO DELICATE! SEE HOW MY HANDS TREMBLE! I CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS!
MEANWHILE...
CEDARVILLE... A SMALL COMMUNITY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PLAINS! WHY WOULD TED COME HERE?
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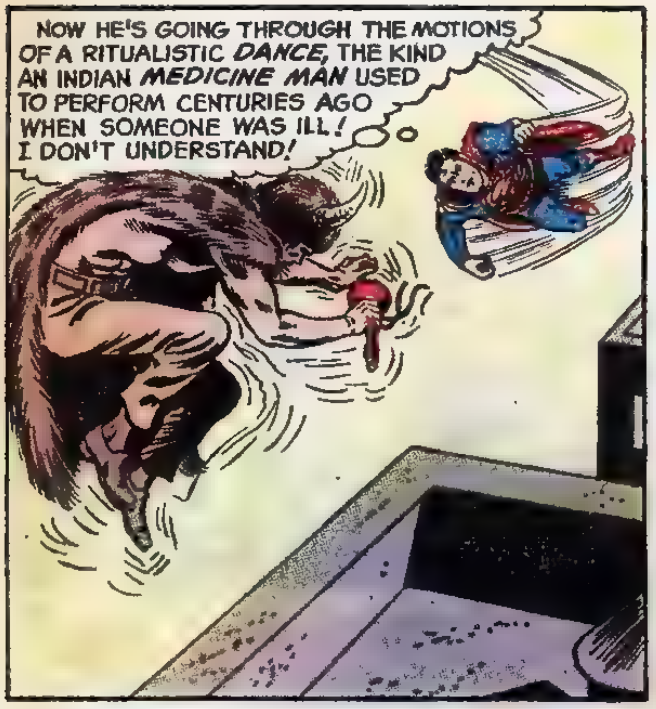
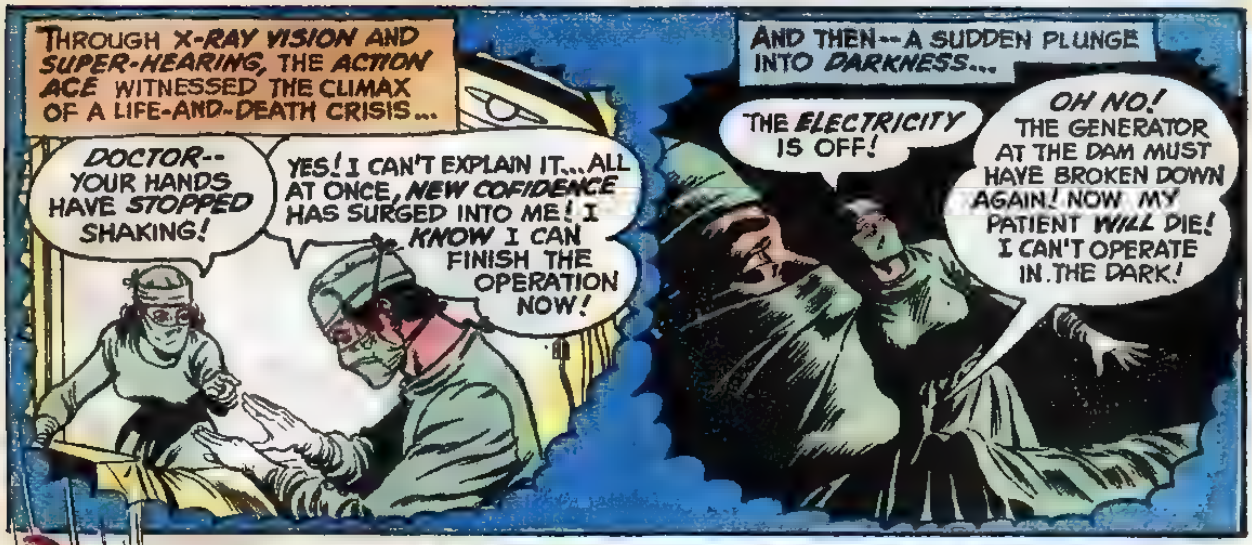
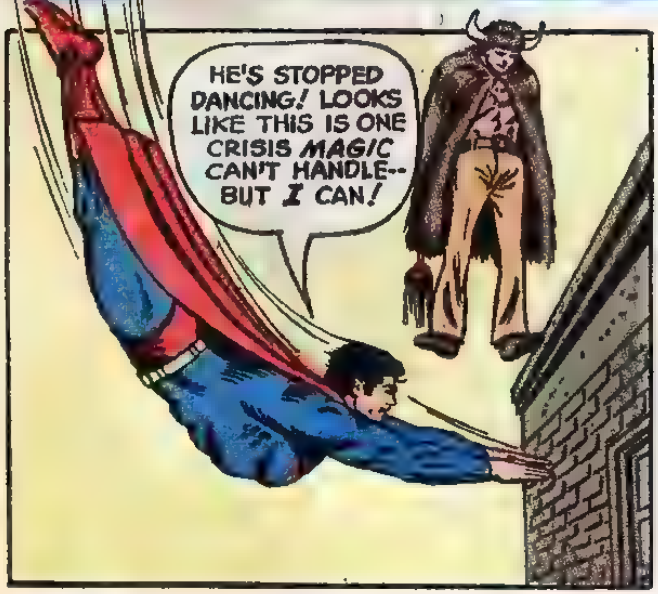

NOW HE'S GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS OF A RITUALISTIC *DANCE*, THE KIND AN INDIAN *MEDICINE MAN* USED TO PERFORM CENTURIES AGO WHEN SOMEONE WAS ILL! I DON'T UNDERSTAND!

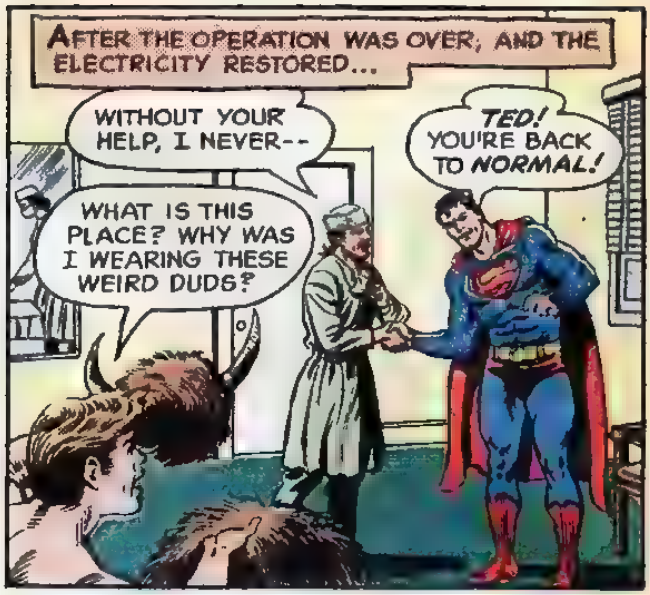
GREAT KRYPTON! THIS IS BEGINNING TO MAKE *SENSE* TO ME! BUT IT'S SO BIZARRE, I'M NOT SURE I WANT TO BELIEVE IT!
M.D.

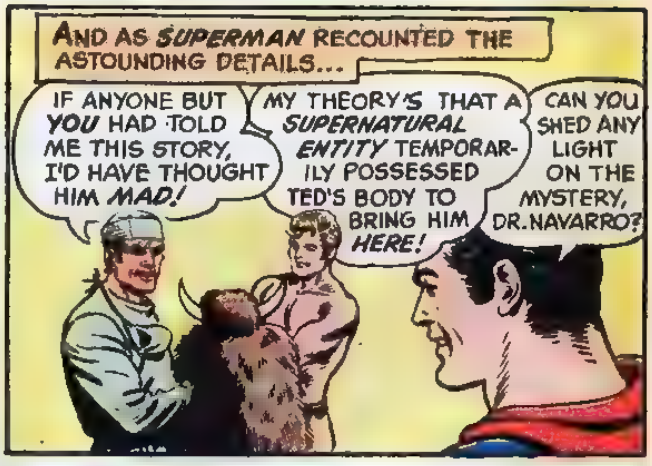

THROUGH *X-RAY VISION* AND *SUPER-HEARING*, THE *ACTION ACE* WITNESSED THE CLIMAX OF A LIFE-AND-DEATH CRISIS...
DOCTOR--YOUR HANDS HAVE *STOPPED* SHAKING!
YES! I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT...ALL AT ONCE, *NEW CONFIDENCE* HAS SURGED INTO ME! I *KNOW* I CAN FINISH THE OPERATION NOW!
AND THEN--A SUDDEN PLUNGE INTO *DARKNESS*...
THE *ELECTRICITY* IS OFF!
OH NO! THE GENERATOR AT THE DAM MUST HAVE BROKEN DOWN AGAIN! NOW MY PATIENT *WILL* DIE! I CAN'T OPERATE IN THE DARK!

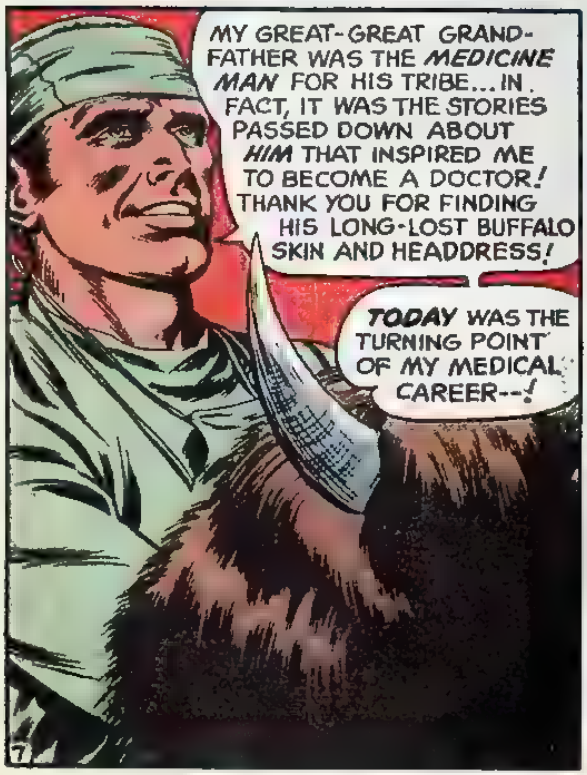

HE'S STOPPED DANCING! LOOKS LIKE THIS IS ONE CRISIS *MAGIC* CAN'T HANDLE--BUT *I* CAN!

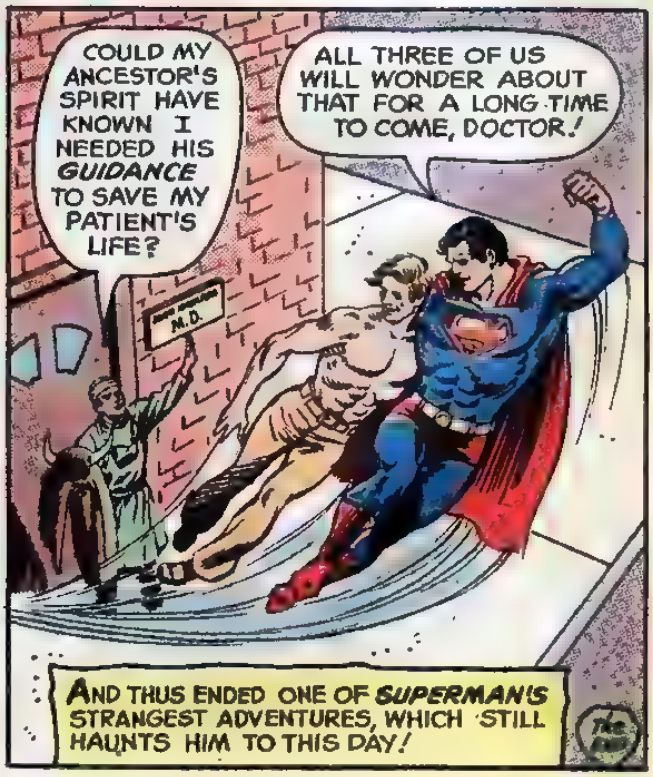
A MOMENT LATER...
BY THE GREAT SPIRITS! I DO NOT BELIEVE WHAT I SEE!
OUR EYES MUST BE PLAYING TRICKS ON US!

MY EYES ARE PLAYING THE TRICKS--USING X-RAY VISION TO CREATE AN ILLUMINATED "SEE-THROUGH" EFFECT, SO YOU CAN PROCEED TO REMOVE THE BULLET NOW!
SUPERMAN!


AFTER THE OPERATION WAS OVER, AND THE ELECTRICITY RESTORED...
WITHOUT YOUR HELP, I NEVER--
WHAT IS THIS PLACE? WHY WAS I WEARING THESE WEIRD DUDS?
TED! YOU'RE BACK TO NORMAL!


AND AS SUPERMAN RECOUNTED THE ASTOUNDING DETAILS...
IF ANYONE BUT YOU HAD TOLD ME THIS STORY, I'D HAVE THOUGHT HIM MAD!
MY THEORY'S THAT A SUPERNATURAL ENTITY TEMPORARILY POSSESSED TED'S BODY TO BRING HIM HERE!
CAN YOU SHED ANY LIGHT ON THE MYSTERY, DR. NAVARRO?


MY GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER WAS THE MEDICINE MAN FOR HIS TRIBE... IN FACT, IT WAS THE STORIES PASSED DOWN ABOUT HIM THAT INSPIRED ME TO BECOME A DOCTOR! THANK YOU FOR FINDING HIS LONG-LOST BUFFALO SKIN AND HEADDRESS!
TODAY WAS THE TURNING POINT OF MY MEDICAL CAREER--!


COULD MY ANCESTOR'S SPIRIT HAVE KNOWN I NEEDED HIS GUIDANCE TO SAVE MY PATIENT'S LIFE?
ALL THREE OF US WILL WONDER ABOUT THAT FOR A LONG TIME TO COME, DOCTOR!
M.D.
AND THUS ENDED ONE OF SUPERMAN'S STRANGEST ADVENTURES, WHICH STILL HAUNTS HIM TO THIS DAY!

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A TALE FROM THE SECRET FILES OF.....THE

TEEN TITANS

"THE SECRET OLYMPIC HEROES" part 2

RED ALERT AT TITAN HEADQUARTERS SIGNALS THE SURPRISE ARRIVAL OF GREEN ARROW'S JUNIOR PARTNER...

BUT THE BOY WONDER'S TRAIN OF THOUGHT IS JARRED BY..

THE ALARM LIGHT! SOMEONE'S ENTERING OUR HEADQUARTERS! ACTION STATIONS, TEAM!

BUT...BUT NO ONE KNOWS OUR LOCATION!

...SPEEDY, WHO'S COME SEEKING AID IN COMBATTING AGENTS OF DIABLO, AN INTERNATIONAL HATE ORGANIZATION, WHICH HAS BEEN TRYING TO SABOTAGE HIS SPECIAL ARCHERY EXHIBITION AT THE UPCOMING WORLD OLYMPICS.

RIGHT AS RAIN, ROBIN -- AND THIS SWITCHED ARROW WAS GIMMICKED WITH TNT, SET TO EXPLODE WHEN I SHOT IT TO IGNITE THE OLYMPIC FIVE-RING SYMBOL AT THE OPENING CEREMONIES!

I THINK I SEE WHY YOU CAME TO US, SPEEDY...

COINCIDENTALLY, THE TITANS HAVE JUST BEEN ASKED BY TED BRADLEY TO HELP LOCATE HIS RUNAWAY SON, DAVEY, WHO IS ONE OF THE LEADING U.S. CONTENDERS FOR A GOLD MEDAL AT THE OLYMPICS.

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THE TITANS TRACK DOWN THE YOUNG ATHLETE ONLY TO DISCOVER THAT THE REASON HE REFUSES TO RUN IN THE OLYMPICS IS REBELLION AGAINST HIS FATHER'S OBSESSION WITH WINNING A GOLD MEDAL. HOWEVER, THEY CONVINCE DAVEY TO JOIN THEM IN TRAVELING TO THE SITE OF THE CONTEST.

NOT IMPORTANT? LISTEN, MY YOUNG FRIEND--YOU'D BETTER TELL ME WHERE DAVEY IS, OR I'LL...

RELAX, MR. BRADLEY... I CAN'T TELL YOU WHERE HE IS -- RIGHT NOW! I THINK YOU'D BETTER GO!

ARRIVING AT THE OLYMPIC VILLAGE, THE TITANS SOON FIND THEMSELVES BATTLING DIABLO AGENTS, WHILE DAVEY HAS A RUN-IN WITH A FOREIGN TRACK STAR NAMED KRAVIK.

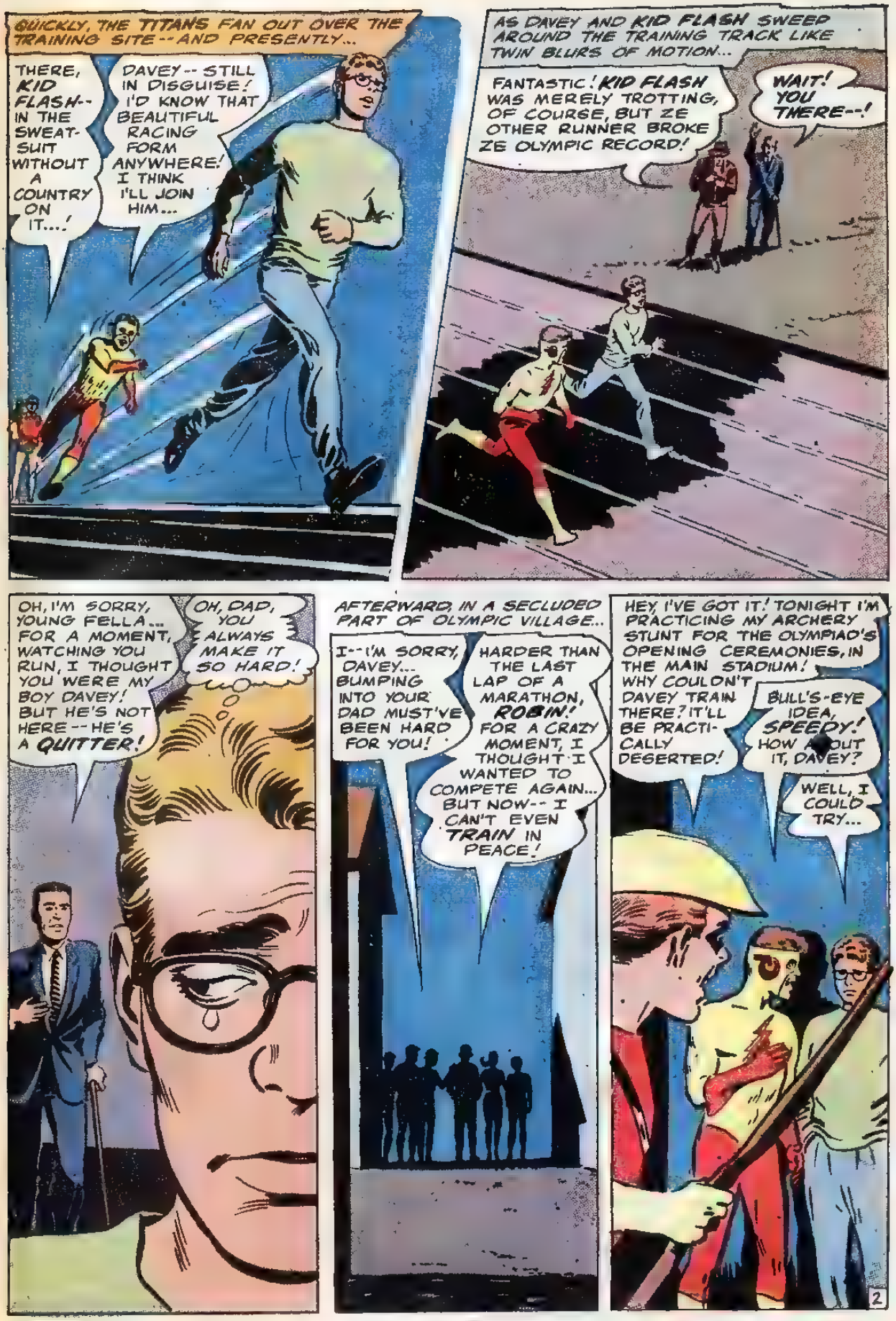
GOOD THING THEY BUILT THESE DORMS LIKE JAPANESE HOUSES--LIGHT, BRIGHT AND EASILY VENTILATED!

SMA-SSH!

WE RESUME THE ACTION AS THE TITANS TURN THE DIABLO AGENTS OVER TO THE POLICE....

YES--OUT OF THE THOUSANDS OF PERFORMERS IN THE OLYMPICS, IT'D BE LIKE LOOKING FOR A GRAIN OF RICE IN THE SNOWS OF MT. FUJI TO FLUSH 'EM OUT!

HEY! WHAT HAPPENED TO DAVEY?


QUICKLY, THE TITANS FAN OUT OVER THE TRAINING SITE--AND PRESENTLY...
THERE, KID FLASH--IN THE SWEAT-SUIT WITHOUT A COUNTRY ON IT...!
DAVEY--STILL IN DISGUISE! I'D KNOW THAT BEAUTIFUL RACING FORM ANYWHERE! I THINK I'LL JOIN HIM...
AS DAVEY AND KID FLASH SWEEP AROUND THE TRAINING TRACK LIKE TWIN BLURS OF MOTION...
FANTASTIC! KID FLASH WAS MERELY TROTTING, OF COURSE, BUT ZE OTHER RUNNER BROKE ZE OLYMPIC RECORD!
WAIT! YOU THERE--!
OH, I'M SORRY, YOUNG FELLA... FOR A MOMENT, WATCHING YOU RUN, I THOUGHT YOU WERE MY BOY DAVEY! BUT HE'S NOT HERE--HE'S A QUITTER!
OH, DAD, YOU ALWAYS MAKE IT SO HARD!
AFTERWARD, IN A SECLUDED PART OF OLYMPIC VILLAGE...
I--I'M SORRY, DAVEY... BUMPING INTO YOUR DAD MUST'VE BEEN HARD FOR YOU!
HARDER THAN THE LAST LAP OF A MARATHON, ROBIN! FOR A CRAZY MOMENT, I THOUGHT I WANTED TO COMPETE AGAIN... BUT NOW--I CAN'T EVEN TRAIN IN PEACE!
HEY, I'VE GOT IT! TONIGHT I'M PRACTICING MY ARCHERY STUNT FOR THE OLYMPIAD'S OPENING CEREMONIES, IN THE MAIN STADIUM! WHY COULDN'T DAVEY TRAIN THERE? IT'LL BE PRACTICALLY DESERTED!
BULL'S-EYE IDEA, SPEEDY! HOW ABOUT IT, DAVEY?
WELL, I COULD TRY...
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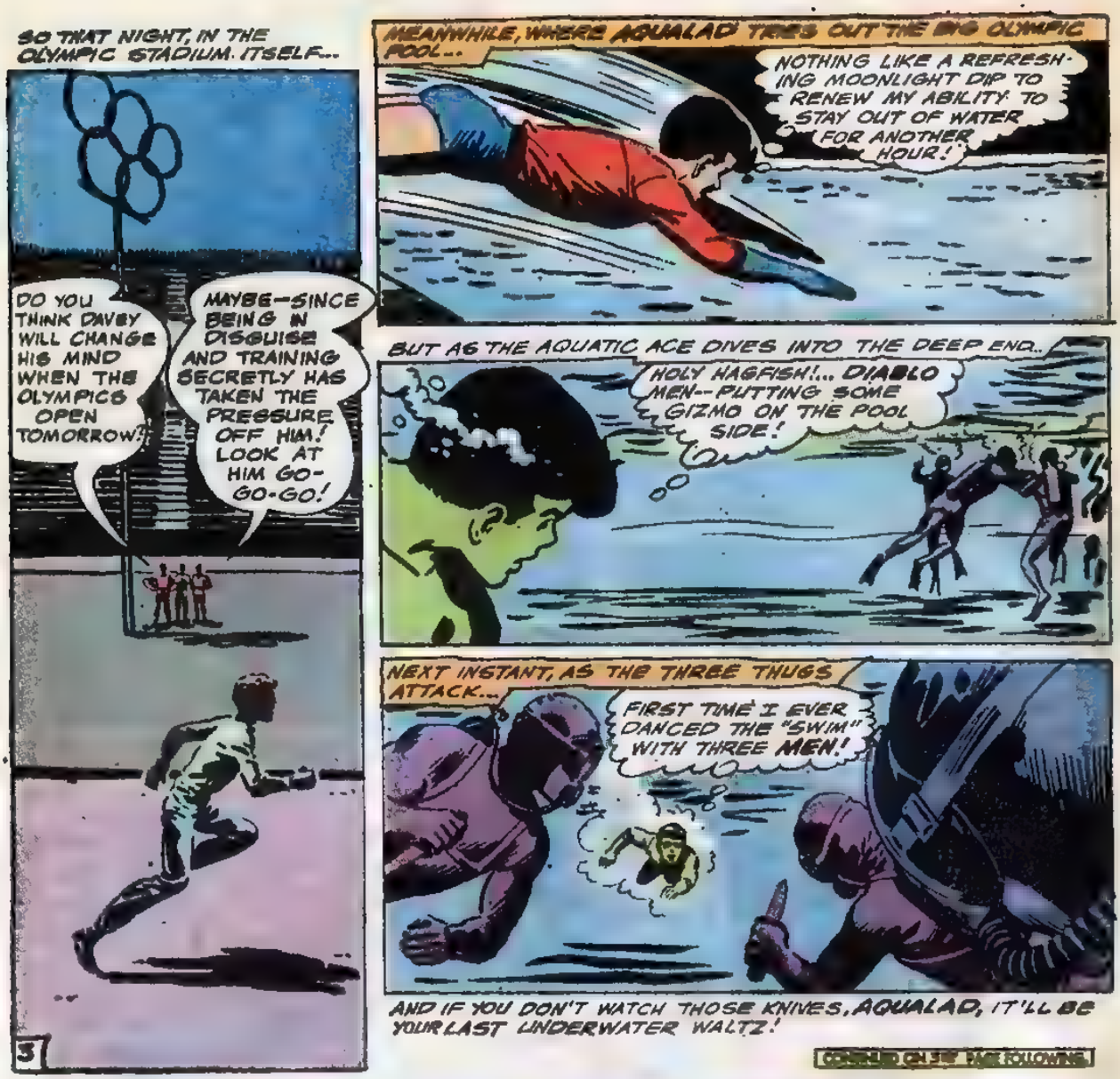
SO THAT NIGHT, IN THE OLYMPIC STADIUM ITSELF...
DO YOU THINK DAVEY WILL CHANGE HIS MIND WHEN THE OLYMPICS OPEN TOMORROW?
MAYBE—SINCE BEING IN DISGUISE AND TRAINING SECRETLY HAS TAKEN THE PRESSURE OFF HIM! LOOK AT HIM GO-GO-GO!
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MEANWHILE, WHERE AQUALAD TRIES OUT THE BIG OLYMPIC POOL...
NOTHING LIKE A REFRESHING MOONLIGHT DIP TO RENEW MY ABILITY TO STAY OUT OF WATER FOR ANOTHER HOUR!
BUT AS THE AQUATIC ACE DIVES INTO THE DEEP END..
HOLY HAGFISH!... DIABLO MEN--PUTTING SOME GIZMO ON THE POOL SIDE!
NEXT INSTANT, AS THE THREE THUGS ATTACK...
FIRST TIME I EVER DANCED THE "SWIM" WITH THREE MEN!
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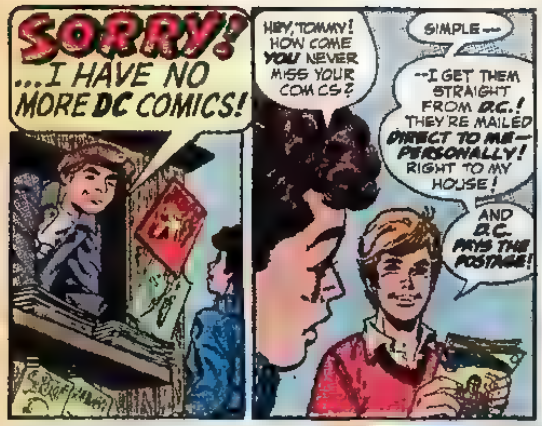

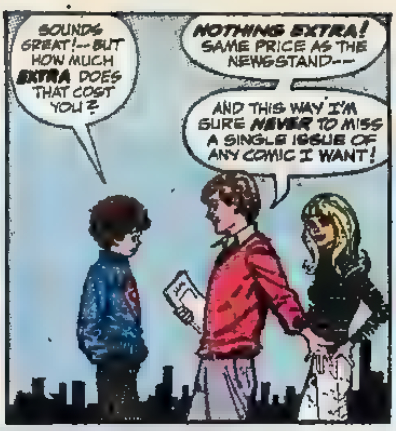

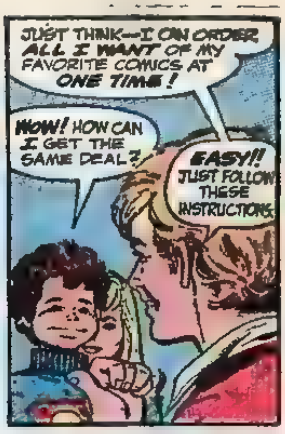

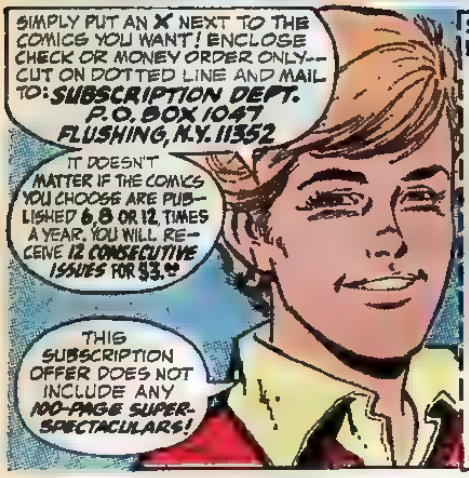

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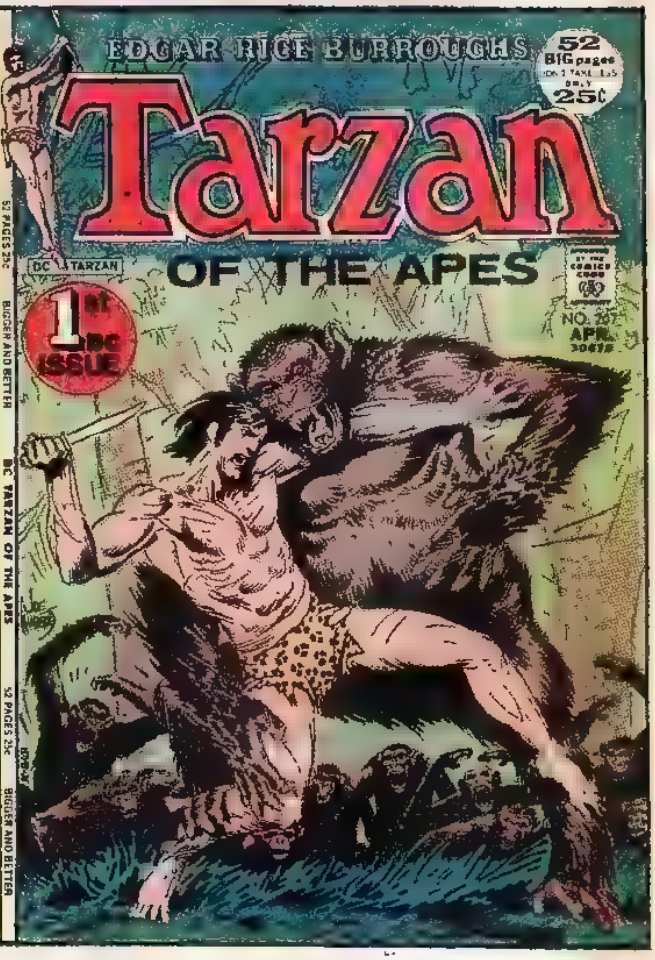

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SPLOOOUUSSH
BUT BELOW...
THIS MAGNETO WAS TO HAVE GIVEN ELECTRIC SHOCKS TO THE SWIMMERS DURING THE OLYMPIC RACES... IT CAN ALSO "SHOCK" THIS MEDDLER INTO SUBMISSION!
THUD
AND NOW...
HE FOUGHT LIKE A TIGER SHARK, KRAVIK, BUT HE'S MEEK AS A MINNOW NOW!
EXCELLENT... BRING HIM ALONG! NOW WE SHALL DEAL RUTHLESSLY WITH HIS COMRADES--FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF... DIABLO! COME...
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SHORTLY, IN ANOTHER PART OF THE VAST STADIUM...
OH, LOOK AT THAT BIG, LUSCIOUS JAPANESE MOON, KID FLASH! DOESN'T IT GIVE YOU GOOSEFLESH?
NO, WONDER CHICK! BECAUSE SOMETHING ELSE IS! THOSE JOKERS UP THERE AT THE OLYMPIC URN...
GOTTA REACH 'EM FAST-- BEFORE THEY SPOT ME...
LIKE A CRIMSON COMET, THE WORLD'S FASTEST TEEN-AGER HITS THE SURPRISED THUGS...
A TEEN TITAN! LOOK OUT!
SO THIS IS WHERE YOU RAN TO ESCAPE WHISPERING SWEET NOTHINGS IN MY EAR!
FUNNY LIKE A CRUTCH, WONDER CHICK! I'LL BE A NOTHING-- IF YOU DON'T PITCH IN WITH YOUR SUPER-STRENGTH!
TAG HIM--!
HE'S... IT!
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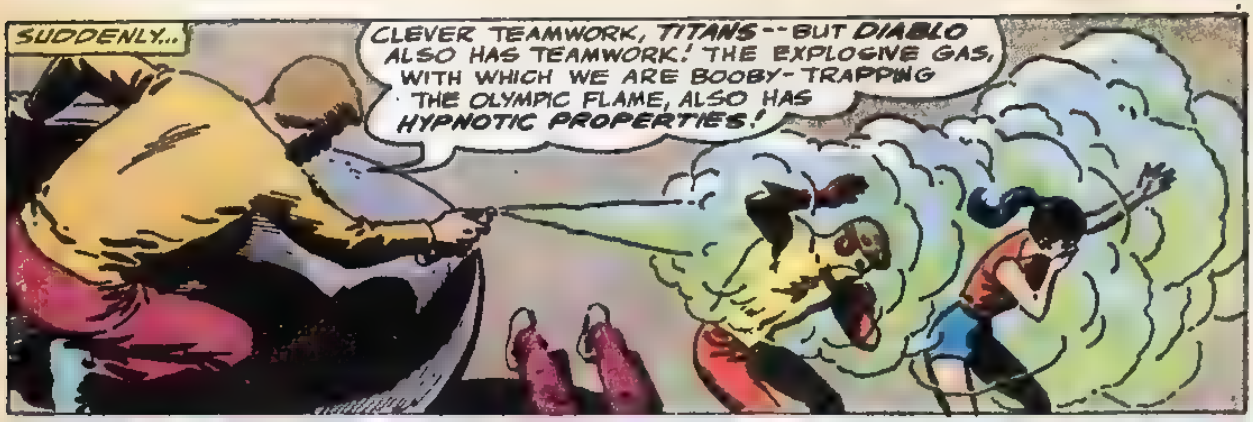
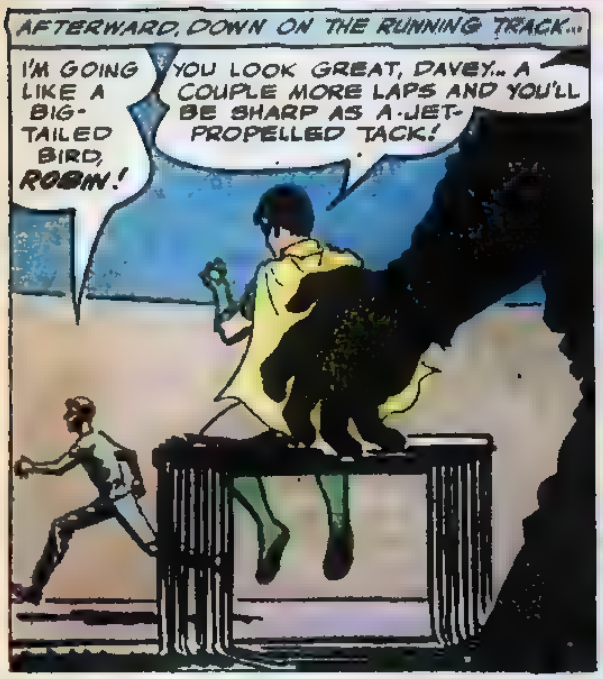
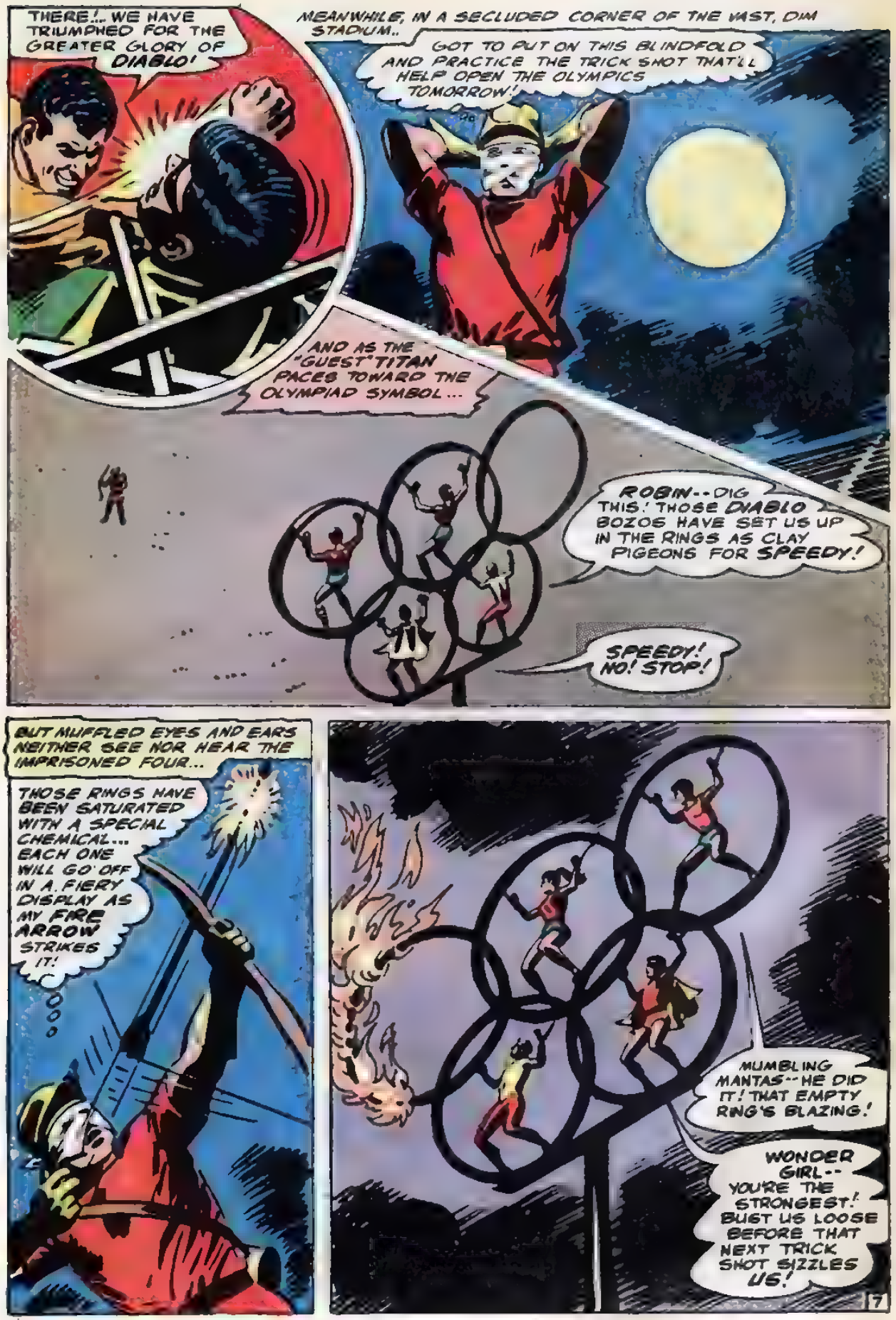

SUDDENLY...
CLEVER TEAMWORK, TITANS -- BUT DIABLO ALSO HAS TEAMWORK! THE EXPLOSIVE GAS, WITH WHICH WE ARE BOOBY-TRAPPING THE OLYMPIC FLAME, ALSO HAS HYPNOTIC PROPERTIES!


AFTERWARD, DOWN ON THE RUNNING TRACK...
I'M GOING LIKE A BIG-TAILED BIRD, ROBIN!
YOU LOOK GREAT, DAVEY... A COUPLE MORE LAPS AND YOU'LL BE SHARP AS A JET-PROPELLED TACK!

SUDDENLY...
EEYOW! DIABLO BUZZARDS!
NOW WE HAVE THEM ALL!

CONTRACTING HIS MUSCLES, THE BOY WONDER EXPLODES LIKE A COILED SPRING...
YIIII! HOW CAN ONE SO YOUNG BE SO STRONG?

HAH!... LET HIM SURMOUNT THIS "HURDLE"!
UH-OH... I'M RINGED!


THERE!.. WE HAVE TRIUMPHED FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF DIABLO!
MEANWHILE, IN A SECLUDED CORNER OF THE VAST, DIM STADIUM..
GOT TO PUT ON THIS BLINDFOLD AND PRACTICE THE TRICK SHOT THAT'LL HELP OPEN THE OLYMPICS TOMORROW!
AND AS THE "GUEST" TITAN PACES TOWARD THE OLYMPIAD SYMBOL...
ROBIN--DIG THIS! THOSE DIABLO BOZOS HAVE SET US UP IN THE RINGS AS CLAY PIGEONS FOR SPEEDY!
SPEEDY! NO! STOP!
BUT MUFFLED EYES AND EARS NEITHER SEE NOR HEAR THE IMPRISONED FOUR...
THOSE RINGS HAVE BEEN SATURATED WITH A SPECIAL CHEMICAL... EACH ONE WILL GO OFF IN A FIERY DISPLAY AS MY FIRE ARROW STRIKES IT!
MUMBLING MANTAS--HE DID IT! THAT EMPTY RING'S BLAZING!
WONDER GIRL--YOU'RE THE STRONGEST! BUST US LOOSE BEFORE THAT NEXT TRICK SHOT SIZZLES US!
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BUT EVEN AS THE RELUCTANT RUNNER TURNS ON ALL HIS VAUNTED SPEED...

SOMEONE POUNDING THE CINDERS BEHIND ME... **KRAVIK**! HE'S TRYING TO CATCH ME!

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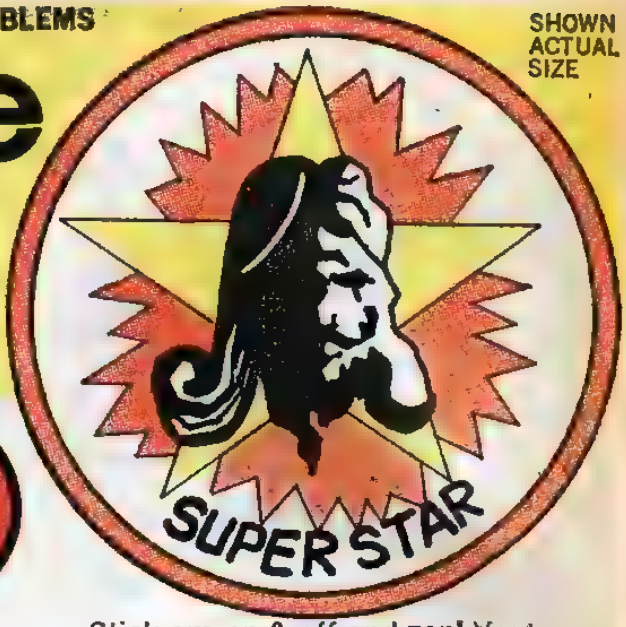

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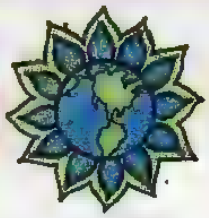

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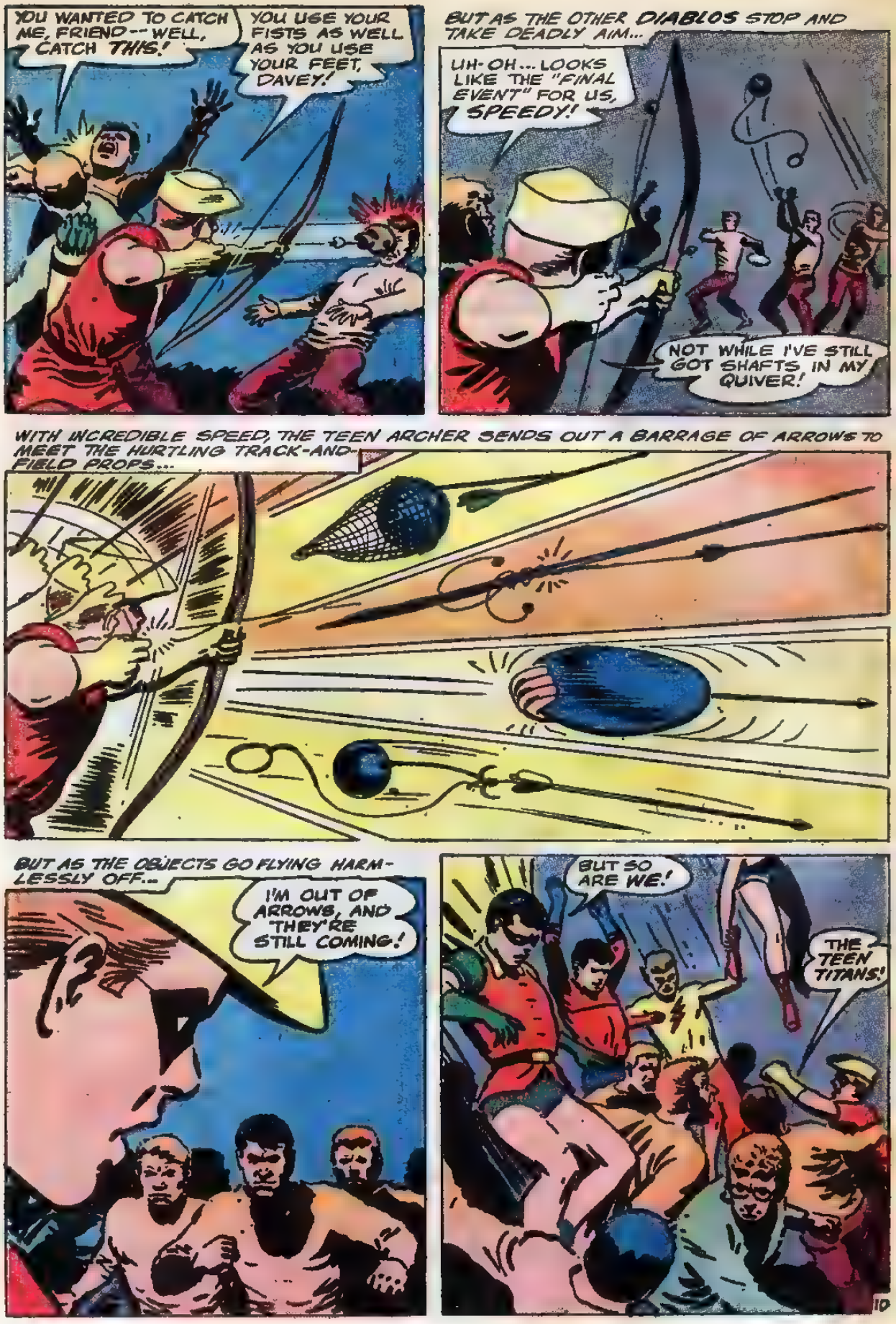
ONE ARROW FOR EACH RING...
HURRY, WONDER GIRL!
TOO LATE!... IT'S ON THE WAY!
BUT FROM OUT OF NOWHERE...
GOT IT--!
YAHOOO!... IT'S DAVEY! HE DEFLECTED THAT FEATHERED BON-BON!
SWIK
THEN, AS THE YOUNG RACER WHIRLS AND SNATCHES SPEEDY'S BLINDFOLD AWAY...
WHAT? THE TITANS? I WAS SHOOTING AT THEM!
YOU COULD SAY THAT AGAIN, SPEEDY, BUT DON'T...
...BECAUSE HERE COMES MORE TROUBLE!
FINISH THEM!...OR OUR PLAN TO WRECK THESE INFERNAL GAMES IS DOOMED!


YOU WANTED TO CATCH ME, FRIEND -- WELL, CATCH THIS!
YOU USE YOUR FISTS AS WELL AS YOU USE YOUR FEET, DAVEY!
BUT AS THE OTHER DIABLOS STOP AND TAKE DEADLY AIM...
UH-OH... LOOKS LIKE THE "FINAL EVENT" FOR US, SPEEDY!
NOT WHILE I'VE STILL GOT SHAFTS IN MY QUIVER!
WITH INCREDIBLE SPEED, THE TEEN ARCHER SENDS OUT A BARRAGE OF ARROWS TO MEET THE HURTLING TRACK-AND-FIELD PROPS...
BUT AS THE OBJECTS GO FLYING HARMLESSLY OFF...
I'M OUT OF ARROWS, AND THEY'RE STILL COMING!
BUT SO ARE WE!
THE TEEN TITANS!

A FEW FAST AND FURIOUS MOMENTS LATER...
WAS THAT EVER A CLOSE ONE! TO THINK I ALMOST MADE SHISH-KEBAB OF YOU CHARACTERS!
CHECK, SPEEDY... BUT DAVEY RAN THE RACE OF HIS LIFE, TO STOP YOU UNTIL WONDER GIRL COULD GET US OFF THOSE HOT "GRIDDLES"!
WELL, THAT WRAPS UP DIABLO'S SCHEME TO DISRUPT THE OLYMPICS... THE GAMES OUGHT TO BE A BIG SUCCESS NOW!
EXCEPT I WON'T BE RUNNING--AND THE GOOD OLD U.S.A. WON'T STAND A CHANCE IN MY EVENT!
NEXT DAY, THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIAD BEGINS WITH THE HISTORIC LIGHTING OF THE OLYMPIC FLAME...
NO DIABLO JOKERS POPPING OUT OF IT TODAY...
YES... AND WONDER GIRL MADE SUCH PRETZELS OUT OF THOSE FIVE RINGS, MY TRICK SHOT EVENT HAD TO BE SCRATCHED!
...RUNNING FOR THE UNITED STATES... IN THE 400 METERS, DAVEY BRADLEY!
CRACK
DAVEY RACING? IT CAN'T BE!
AS THE RACERS SWEEP AROUND THE TRACK, ONE HEART LEAPS HIGHER THAN ANY OTHER...
GO, SON--GO!
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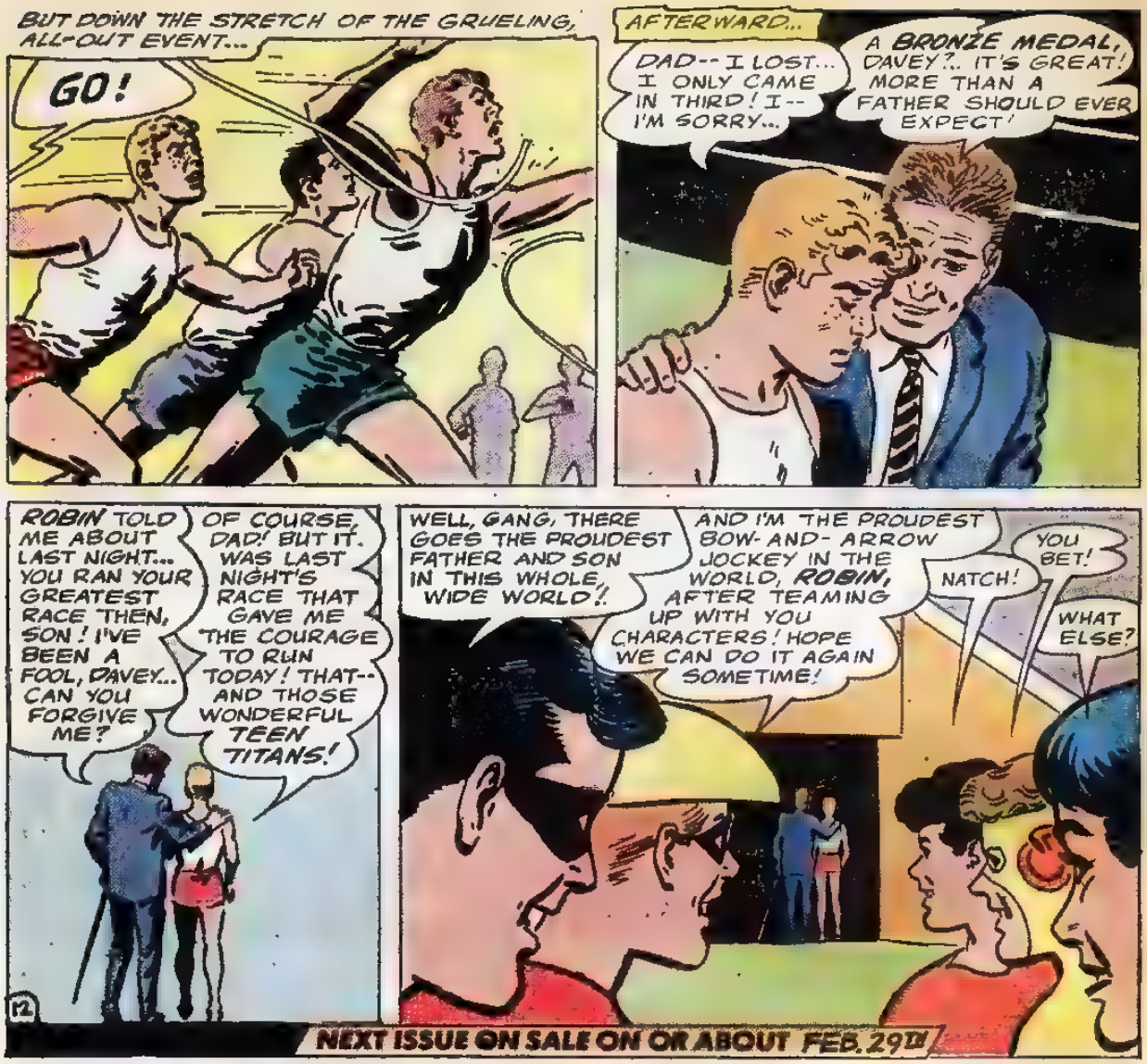

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Dear Editor:

"Master of Miracles" of #406 had me fooled for a while, but I realized the truth as soon as Superman got the emergency call from Kandor. What bothered me about the story, though, was his attitude towards the people of the bottled city. I find it hard to believe he would use the Blackout Ray on them just because they bothered him with what he thought was a minor problem.

As for "The Ghost That Haunted Clark Kent," it was a rather good story despite the short seven pages you gave it. It was definitely a different approach to ghost stories.

Bob Rozakis, Elmont, N.Y.

If you had the responsibilities Superman has, and someone tried to get you to put them aside for a problem concerning a census, you might get angry, too. Just goes to show you—even a Man of Might can lose his temper and make a mistake.—Ed.

* * *

Dear Sirs:

Concerning the recent letter from David Kaufman: David Kaufman does not exist and there is no such place as Brooklyn. I graduated from Metropolis Community High School, Metropolis, Illinois. Metropolis is located deep in southern Illinois, on the Ohio River, across from Kentucky. Kaufman should have investigated prior to making his allegations.

Oh, yes—the Ayer Directory of Publications lists a "Daily Planet" in Miami, Florida.

Mel Vineyard, NN3, U.S.N., More Island, Calif.

Thanks—though we kind of doubt that Clark Kent lived in Illinois and was a reporter for a Florida paper at the same time! Still, it is interesting to learn that such things do exist. Did you know that, a few years ago, we heard from an editor in Oklahoma whose name was Perry White?—Ed.

* * *

Dear Editor:

Once upon a time, I picked up an ACTION comic and read "Master of Miracles." In this story, I was informed that our Earth was given to us by aliens and that is why we are here; that they brought our ape-ancestors here. This is completely different from what I learned at church and from my parents.

Now, evolution is one thing, because there *is* a possibility. And make-believe is fine in areas that aren't apt to influence a child's mind. But when I read that, it made me furious. A kid is going to be mixed-up enough about where he came from and why without such garbage as this. It just seems wrong to play make-believe with God's role.

I guess you won't print this, but at least you'll know there's one enraged gal out here!

Judi Noles, McLemoresville, Tenn.

We respect your feelings but think you should have read the story more carefully. You'd have found that this account of man's origin was not given as fact—it was part of a hoax on the villain's part.—Ed.

* * *

Dear Editor:

When Denny O'Neil writes a relevance piece, it can't be mistaken for anything else. Interesting and effective but not subtle. Leo Dorfman, however, has a tendency to use a moralistic theme within the framework of the standard Superman plot. The fact that the Master of Miracles was a Kandorian weakened an otherwise good idea, because it's an often-used device and was foreshadowed too soon. The points raised about pollution and power madness were worthwhile, though.

I can see why you cover-featured "The Ghost That Haunted Clark Kent." In seven pages, Dorfman got in an unbelievable amount of excitement and mystery. As always, the Swan-Anderson art for the entire ish was impeccable.

I'm flattered that you think so well of my letters. However, to be perfectly honest, I got a bigger kick out of the previous four lettercols, none of which featured a letter of mine. That may sound crazy, but I like to read as many different opinions as possible, so I can see if I agree with the rest of the reading public.

Gerard Triano, Elmont, N.Y.

Well, Gerry—here's another disappointing letter page for you!—Ed.

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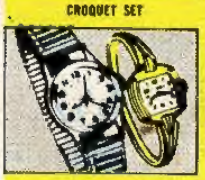
TRANSISTOR RADIO

CROQUET SET

GUITAR-AMP COMBO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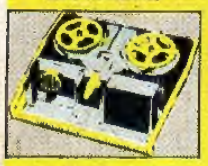
VOLLEYBALL SET

GIRL'S TRAVEL CASE

SWIM SET


TAPE RECORDER

SLEEPING BAGS

30-POWER TELESCOPE

COMPLETE ARCHERY SETS

HOT WHEELS RACE SET

CHEMISTRY SETS

SPORT BIKES

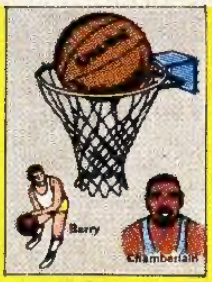
POLAROID COLORPACK CAMERA

JR. TYPEWRITER

MICROSCOPE SETS

FOUR PLAYER BADMINTON

FLASH CAMERA OUTFITS



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